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LETTERS TO FORT ST. DAVID
1747-48

(VOLUME No. II)

[*From December* 1747 *to December* 1748.]

N°. 1

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Governour &ca. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs,

The Accompanying is Duplicate of our last the 12th. Instant Ship Ilchester Sailed for great Britain fully Loaden, On which Ship Mr. George Dudley took his Passage and Twenty Six of the Severns Men.

The Only Advices we have recd. since our last is that On the 3d. Instant the two Privateers with the Anson left Goa, but where desined [*sic*] we know not, and on the 6th. Inst. Angria's Fleet Consisting of five Grabs, and Tenn Galevats, were a Cruizing Off Calicutt.

We must request that you will forward the Accompanying Packett to the Honble the Court of Directors, by the first Conveyance that Offers. We are

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
Richd. Bourchier.
Thomas Pattle.
Francis Fowke.

Anjengo
the 16th. Decr. 1747.

N°. 2.

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs,

We have recd. your Letters of the 8th. August 13th. September ℔ Warwick and 13th. & 15th. October ℔ Princess [of] Wales Which We Shall reply to ℔ Ships Oxford & Exeter [wch.] we are preparing to Send to you with a Supply of [...] Stores In a few days.

Having come to a Resolution to Send Our Honble Masters Ship Warwick fully laden for Europe to your Coast by the Latter end of this Month in Order to proceed wth. such Convoy as the Commodore can give her We think proper to Advise you hereof that you may prepare any Advices you may think Necessary to Send by her.

Having drawn a Bill of Exchange on you for 7349 Current Rupees received here of Our President Acct. the Estate of John Hinde Esqr. decd. Payable to Charles Floyer Esqr. & Mr. Alexander Wynch We desire you will make due payment thereof And are

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
John Forster.
John Jackson.
Adam Dawson.
Hump: Bellamy.
Will: Kempe.

Fort William
17th. Decr. 1747.

N°. 3

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c. Council at Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship^{LL}. Sir & Sirs

I last Night rec^{d}. your Worships &c^{a}. favour of the 28th. Oct^{r}. with Duplicate of that of the 8th. September.

I shall pay due regard to what you write concerning the Expences of the Factory and reduce them as low as possible.

I now Send the Cost of the Rice by which you'll be able to Settle that Account.

I have not as yet rec^{d}. any Advices from Bengal Concerning the Bales I have got 200 ready pack'd particulars as Underwritten.

By the first Conveyance I shall transmitt Copy of my Books, Inclosed is Indent of Wares & Stores wanting at [...] Duplicate of my last, I am &c^{a}.

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
Tho^{s}. Saunders.

Ingeram
the 16th. Decem^{R}. 1747.

P.S.
Long Cloth Ordinary 205½
Long Cloth Fine 55.
Salempores Ordinary 150
Izz^{s}: Superfine 2½ Corge.

N°. 4

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs

By Order of the Honble the President & Council I have Laden on Board the Ship Winchelsea Nine Chests of Treasure which goes consigned to You for which Enclosed is Captain Barrin's first Bill of Lading I wish her a Safe & Speedy Passage & am

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
Tho: Coales.

Ballasore Road
January the 3^{D}. 1747.

N°. 5

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs

By Order of the Honble the President and Council I have Laden on Board the Ship Colchester Eight Chests of Treasure which goes consigned to you for which Enclosed is Captain Wood['s] first Bill of Lading I wish her a safe and Speedy Passage, and Am

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
Tho^{s}. Coales.

Ballasore Road
January the 4th. 1747. 8.

N°. 6

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ca. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs

By Order of the Honble the President & Council I have Laden on Board the Ship Benjamin Eight Chests of Treasure which goes Consigned to you for which Enclosed is Captain Meards first Bill of Lading I wish her a Safe and Speedy Passage and Am

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Humble servant
Thos. Coales.

Ballasore Road
January the 5th. 1747.

N°. 7

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ca. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs

Our last bore date the 17th. Instant Duplicate whereof comes Enclosed, We shall now reply to the several Letters therein acknowledge [*sic*]. It is the utmost Concern to us to find that no Money passes your Port to our Assistance, and having supplied your Settlement to the utmost of our Power We are reduced to inform you that it is impossible for us to proceed any further in such aid to you or to carry on our Honble Masters Affairs here unless you send us a very large Supply out of the Treasure that shall arrive with you from Europe, When you receive such Supply We desire you will send as large a part of what you design us in Rupees as may be soon procurable for our Necessities will not Admit of delay therefore what cannot be turned soon into Rupees must be sent us in Bullion, though the Shroffs here have reduced the price of Bullion so low that it will be most for our Honble Masters Interest to have it Coin'd with you if it can be done expeditiously.

The Bales and Copper you sent us p Ship Warwick were duly delivered and the Copper came out right, but the Gentlemen from Fort Marlborough having advised us that the Copper which they had Laden on Ship Bombay Castle wou'd, as they expected, come out Short, We enclosed sent you an Account thereof and Desire you will demand the difference from the Commander of the Bombay Castle & advise our Hon[ble] Masters about this Difference and your Proceedings with the Captain thereon.

We observe you desire to have the Brown Cloth (sent us for Europe) Whiten'd here, but that will not be in our power as We had a large quantity came brown from Vizagapatam last Year which has fully Employed all our Washermen and We fear will not be all Compleated before the dispatch of our Ships for England.

We are in great want of Red Wood not having Sufficient for the Kintldge [*sic*] of all the Ships now on hand therefore desire you will forward the quantity before wrote for as soon as possible.

We have received the Ten Bales of Cotton you mention to have remain'd on board the Warwick, as for what you took out of her, to place on your Terasses, you will please to forward it to us as Opportunity Offers.

Your Bill in favour of Mr. John Hammon was duly paid, as also all the Bills you mention to have drawn on us in your favour of the 23d. September.

By Ship Jenny we received the Broad Cloth and Perpetts you sent us on her agreeable to the Bill of Lading and have paid Freight for the same. Upon inspection thereof, many of the Bales appeared damaged which the Captain affirmed

could not have happen'd on board his Ship Upon which the damaged was Survey'd by the whole Board and it Appear'd to us to be an Old Damage a great Number of the Peices being quite rotton, which could not have been the case had it happen'd in the Jennys Short Passage We presume the Brittanias Cargoe was duly survey'd with you and that you have accounted with the Captain for what damage appeared but as We have had no Account thereof. Enclosed send you an Account of the Damage which appear'd here, Also an Account Sale thereof, which We desire you will transmit to our Honble Masters that they may Account for the same with the Owners in case you have not already accounted with the Captain.

Enclosed comes Invoice and Bills of Lading for the Rice and Stores leaden [*sic*] on Ships Oxford and Exeter. We therein have Complyed with your Indents as near as we could, but we could not put on board them all the Rice we intended, as Mr. Hammon Agent Victualer to his Majesty's Squadron applied to us to send a large quantity of Rice and Biscuit for the use of the Squadron which being so essential to the General Service We thought necessary to Comply therewith, but as many of our Country Ships are gone and going to your Coast You cannot want a large Supply of that Grain should you have occasion for it. The Rice We have laden on the above Ships is such as We could procure of the August Crop, not having it in our power to send any other as the latter Crop is not yet arriv'd.

The Gentlemen at Vizagapatam Ingeram and Ganjam having advised us of the number of Bales they expect to have ready by the beginning of January We have dispatch'd our Honble Masters Ship the Houghton to Vizagapatam in Order to bring them away, as they had no Tonnage for that purpose.

As We have it not in our power to send hence the Thirty thousand (30000) Rupees you design'd for Vizagapatam, We desire you will Supply that Settlement with what you think proper as Occasion offers.

In regard to the Arrack design'd for your use by Ship Fort St. George which it seems was afterwards sold at Outcry at your Settlement We must leave it to you to Satisfy the Owners for the same as you are best acquainted with the Sale thereof.

As Captain Holland's Service has been so acceptable to you and as you think his further Assistance usefull We entirely approve of his Stay with you 'till you think proper to send him to take Charge of the Employ our Honble Masters have appointed him to.

Agreeable to your desire We have apply'd to Mr. Richard Roswell and informed him how necessary you thought his Presence wou'd be on the Coast for Settling some Accounts unadjusted with the Squadron, his Answer to our Application comes Enclosed.

We have deliver'd to our Paymaster the Roll you sent of the Military under the Command of Lieutenant Brown & directed him to make the Stoppages out of the Soldier's Pay conformable thereto.

We have duly discharg'd your Bill on us in favour of the Owners of Ship Prince of Orange.

In regard to the Patcheree Rice you want for the West Coast, it is impossible to Supply you therewith so early as you mention, that Sortment not coming in to us before the Middle of January, but We shall send it you by the first Opportunity that Offers after it is procurable.

The Lead and Iron you sent us ℔ Ship Princess of Wales not being yet landed We cannot yet advise how the Weight comes out.

We have demanded of Captain Harry to Account for the differencies [*sic*] and short Deliveries which you mentioned to us, which he has desired to be referr'd home to be adjusted between our Honble Masters and his Owners. In future We must desire you will adjust all such Differencies with the Commanders of the Ships before they leave you, since, when they are demanded here they make Excuses, Charging your Connicoplies and Boatmen with Pilfering and other Rogueries which you on the Spot might disprove though We are incapable of, Confuting them.

Mr. William Frankland who dispatches these Ships will advise you of their draught of Water and what else is necessary.

We are

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

JOHN FORSTER.
JOHN JACKSON.
ADAM DAWSON.
WILLIAM KEMPE.
ROBERT EYRE.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 26TH. DECEMBER 1747.

P.S.

Since closing the foregoing We received advice of the Arrival of Five of the Honble Company's Ships in Ballasore Road Vizt. the Winchelsea, Benjamin, Colchester, Eastcourt and Cæsar under Convoy of three of his Majesty's Ships the Exeter York and Eltham, The three former having Stores on board for the Squadron which the Commodore desired might be sent him as soon as possible We came to a resolution of sending them up immediately to your Settlement and have Ordered Twenty five (25) Chests of Bullion to be laden on them The Bills of Lading for which will be forwarded to you by Mr. Thomas Coales whom we have sent down to dispatch those Ships and the Commanders of them have Orders on their Arrival with you to follow your Directions for their further Proceedings which we must leave entirely to your Management only advising you that it will not be in our power to load any of them from hence for Europe, And as the Gentlemen at Bombay have long since advised us that there would be a quantity of Pepper laying at Tellicherry We acquaint you hereof, that if you should find it convenient Some of them may be sent there to be laden with that Commodity We hope the above Supply of Twenty five Chests of Bullion will be Sufficient for your Expences for some time as our own Necessities would not permit us to Spare more and as the latter Ships may be soon expected, should they fall in with You may supply yourselves or We shall send you more if you have occasion for it. On board the before mentioned Ships is Major Stringer Lawrence with 5 Officers and 84 Private Men design'd for your Coast Whom We have directed to proceed to you.

We are

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

JOHN FORSTER.
JOHN JACKSON.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUM: BELLAMY.
WILLM: KEMPE.
ROBT. EYRE.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 29TH. DECEMBER 1747.

SIR

MR. ROSEWELL'S Answer to ye Secretary.

This serves to Acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of this days Date Inserting an Extract of one from the Gentlemen at Fort St. David setting forth that there being several Accounts relating to the Squadron unadjusted both before Mr. Barnetts Decease & Afterwards which they are told cannot be Settled in a Proper Manner & form Unless I the then Agent Victualler be present And as I am now at this Place they beg the favour the Governour & Council will Mention to me the Absolute Necessity of my going up to them for that Purpose I desire you'll please to Acquaint them that when I was last at Fort St. David in the Month of March April May & June to which Place I went on purpose, I settled All Accounts

with the Company for Provisions and Stores Supplied the Squadron both before and after Mr: Barnett's Decease And therefore Apprehend the Accounts they mention which I could never get a Sight of, when there, are, of Provisions and Stores which they say were Provided for the Use of the Squadron by order of Commodore Barnett and Capt. Peyton (to which I am entirely a Stranger) and kept in Readiness to be Supplied the Squadron on their Arrival at Madrass but were never delivered the Place being Unfortunately taken by the French and that there is not the Least Necessity for my going up to Fort St. David's as the Accounts are of too great Consequence for me to Pretend to adjust and must be settled between the Government and Company in England to which Place I shall go by the first Opportunity. I am

SIR
Your Most Humble Servant
RICHD. ROSEWELL.

CALCUTTA
THE 24TH. NOVEMBER 1747.

To MR. Mc.GWIRE
SECRY.

No. 8

To THE WORSHIPLL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Enclosed is a Letter to the Gentlemen at Bombay which We request you will forward with the utmost Expedition & are

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
JOHN FORSTER.
JOHN JACKSON.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUMRY. BELLAMY.
WILLM: KEMPE.
ROBT. EYRE.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 1ST. JANUARY 1747.

No. 9

To THE WORSHIPL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS

Agreable to my order from the Honble President &ca. Council of Fort William I repaired on board the Ship Oxford off Kedgeree and the Captain having Sign'd his Bills of Lading I now dispatch her to your Worship &ca. Council.

Papers Enclosed as follows.

General Letter to Fort St. David dated the 26th. Decr. 1747.
Duplicate Genl. Letter to ditto dated the 17 Ditto.
Invoice of Ship Oxford.
Bills of Lading ℔ do.
Account Defeciency of Copper ℔ Bombay Castle.
Account Damaged Broad Cloth ℔ Jenny.
Account Sale of Ditto.
Mr. Rosewell's Answer to our Application to him to go to Fort St. David.
Copy of the Captns. Sailing orders.

Gunners Report of Guns &c^{a}.
The Ship draws Eighteen foot Water upon an Even Keel.
I wish her a Speedy & Safe Passage to y^{r}. Worship &c^{a}. I am

WORSHIP^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Serv^{t}.
WILL^{M}. FRANKLAND.

SHIP OXFORD
AT KEDJEREE 4TH. JAN^{RY}. 1747.

N°. 10

TO THE WORSHIP^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{L}. SIR & SIRS

I have just received Duplicate of your Worships &c^{a}. Favour of the 7th. Ultimo.

M^{r}. Prince desiring I would dispatch my Bales as he was daily in Expectation of the Houghton Capt. Worth I have loaded on Ship Success 200 Bales amounting to Pag^{s}: 13327. 29. 17 as ℔ Copy of the Invoice and General Letter to Bengall inclosed. The Ship is now at the Mouth of the Barr and I expect hourly to hear of her going out.

Inclosed is Duplicate of my last wth. Indent of Wares and Stores. I am

WORSHIP^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
DEC^{R}. 27TH. 1747.

COPY.

TO THE HONBLE JOHN FORSTER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL AT
FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

M^{r}. Prince having advised me he is in daily Expectation of the Houghton Capt. Worth to take in the Company's Bales, and desiring I would dispatch mine with the Utmost expedition I have now laden on Ship Success John Heriot Master 200 Bales Amounting to Pagodas 13327. 29. 17 as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading inclosed a disapointment on the Cash designed for this Factory being Stopp'd for the Expences of Vizagapatam is the Occasion of my falling short of the Number of Bales promised you, a fair opportunity occurring I have reduced the Prices of Long Cloth Ordinary P. 2 and Salempores Ordinary P. 1 ℔ Co. which I hope will be agreeable.

With this your Hon̄. &c^{a}. will receive copy of the Ingeram Books ending 1747 and those of 1746 as I imagine that Sett may have been lost in Madras. I am with great Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
THOMAS SAUNDERS

INGERAM
THE 23^{D}. DEC^{R}. 1747.

N°. 11

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs

Since we wrote you last, under the 17th. July, (Duplicate of which goes enclosed) your Letters of the 18th. June, 6th. & 21th. July 12th. August, and 28th. Septr. are come to hand, which last was not recd. here till the 21st. of last Month.

On receipt of your Letter requesting us to furnish you with a Letter of Credit
Rs.
on Arcott to the Amount of one hundred and fifty thousand (150,000) Rupees, we accordingly gave Orders to the Chief and Factors at Suratt for that purpose, but on their acquainting us no such was procurable there, we directed them, under the 14th. October last, to remitt you by Bill, on the most Advantageous Terms the Sum
Rs.
of one hundred thousand (100,000) Rupees which we doubt not 'ere this you have duly received.

The Bill you drew on us for Rupees one thousand twenty (1020), in favour of Mr. Samuel Hough or order, was duly discharged the 1st. Instant & your Settlement Debted accordingly.

The President duly advised the Deputy Governour of the loss of the Honble Company's Ship Anson, which was taken off this Port the 2d. Septr. by the Apollo and Anglesea French Privateers, who quitted their Cruize the 4th. following, and proceeded to Goa with said Ship, and a Country Ship with Dutch Freight & Passport, that they seiz'd in her way hence to Surratt, & which Ships and their Cargoes, we are informed, they intend Selling at Goa. These Privateers, by our last Advices, are still on this Coast, and three of the French Ships that Winter'd at Goa were Sail'd, as was reported, to Cruize off the Lacadivee and Maldivee Islands. The 4th. Ship the St. Lewis has been at Mangulore for Rice, from whence She returned and is with the Privateers at Goa. The Ship mentioned in the Duplicate proved to be the Princess of Mary wch. fell to Peices on their endeavouring to haul her on Shore to Clean and refit. All the Treasure by the Anson, being 10 Chests, was saved, which Capt: Foulis sent us a Shore, with his Packets in a Fishing Boat before the Engagement began. To this Ship's lost [*sic*] it is with additional concern, we have to add that of the Heathcote, which run a Shore on the Island of Socotra on the 7th. June at One in the Morning, and 16 of the Crew were drown'd. The Captain, Agents, and others to the Number of 41, came hither in a small Vessell from thence, and the rest were to proceed in Boats to Muscat, whither we have sent for them about 14,000 Dollars of her Treasure were brought hither by the Commander.

The Portfield, from Mocha, was luckily saved from the Privateers, on the 1st. Septr. by 4 of our Intelligence Boats, who tow'd her away while the Enemies Ships were obliged to Anchor, for want of Wind, and a Swell Setting in Shore, and She arriv'd Safe at Surat on the 5th. following, from whence She Sail'd for England on the 29th. Ulto. with a Cargoe of Coffee.

The George Snow arrived at Anjengo on the 8th. of October, of which you have doubtless been advised from thence. She left England, as we are informed, about the End of April, but we are not acquainted when our latter Ships were, or would be dispatch'd.

We have a much greater Quantity of Pepper upon the Coast then we judge we shall have Tonnage for, or can be sent to the Bay, and China, Altho' opportunities should offer, therefore we desire you will timely acquaint us, whether, in case any can be sent you towards the End of the Season, you can dispose of it to Advantage, and what Quantity.

What they have in Warehouse stands y^e^. Hoñble Company upon an Average, in about Ninety (90) Rup^s^. Rs. the Tellicherry Candy of Six hundred (600) Pounds; and provided you should send any Ship, or Ships to Tellicherry, to fill up there, the Chief and Factors will have our Orders to comply with your Demands accordingly.

We are

W^o^. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

W. WAKE.
R. RAWDON.
RICH^D^. SANDERS.
JOHN SEWELL
THO^S^. DORRILL.

BOMBAY CASTLE
DEC^R^. THE 4^TH^. 1747.

N°. 12

TO THE WORSHIP^L^. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^.
DEPUTY GOV^R^. &C^A^. COUNCIL AT
FORT S^T^. DAVID.

WORSHIP^L^. SIR & SIRS

This is to acquaint you that We have dispatch'd the Houghton to the President & Council of Fort William with 351 Bales of Callicoes on our Hoñble Masters Account. We have likewise sent them our Books and Accounts as you directed, Copys of which shall be sent to your Place by the first proper Conveyance that Offers.

By this Vessell We have sent you the 300 Bags of Rice that were landed from the Ship Fort S^t^. George and inclosed comes the Syrang's Bill of Lading for the same, The Freight amounts to Arcott Rupees 100.–. for which we shall debt your Settlement and are

WORSHIP^LL^. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servants

RICH^D^. PRINCE.
ROB^T^. GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT

VIZAGAPATAM
15^TH^. JANUARY 1747/8.

N°. 13

TO THE WORSHIP^L^. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^A^. COUNCIL AT
FORT S^T^. DAVID.

WORSHIP^LL^. SIR & SIRS

This is only to inclose our Warehouse and Storekeepers Indents for Wares and Stores wanting at this Place which We request may be sent us as Opportunitys Offer. We are

WORSHIP^LL^. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servants

RICH^D^. PRINCE.
ROB^T^. GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

VIZAGAPATAM
16^TH^. JANUARY 1747/8.

N°. 14

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worhipll. Sir & Sirs

We wrote you under date the 27th. Ultimo ℔ Ship Oxford and Exeter which Ships were dispatch'd from Ingellie the 4th. Instant.

We now dispatch to you Our Honble Masters Ship Warwick fully Laden for Europe and have given the Commander Directions to follow Your Orders for his further proceedings and recommend it to You to send her under Convoy of any of his Majesty's Ships bound for England and in case there should be no Convoy that you will despatch her agreeable to the Orders you may have received from the Secret Committe.

Yesterday We recd. Packetts for you by Ships Cæsar and Eastcourt which We were obliged to open to take out the necessary Papers Copy's of which are now preparing & shall be sent You by the Next Conveyance herewith we send you one of the Packetts and the other shall follow by Ship Phazil-Salem. We wish this Ship a safe and Speedy Passage and are

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

John Forster.
Adam Dawson.
Hump. Bellamy.
Will. Kempe.
Robt: Eyre.

Fort William
January the 10th. 1747/8.

N°. 15

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs

I have recd. your Worship &ca. Favour of the 17th. Ultº. which I shall reply fully to in a few days, this serves to inclose my Cash Accounts and Journel Parcels from P. 1r. May 1747 to Ultº Decr. I am

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. Humble Servt

Thomas Saunders

Ingeram
20th. January 1747/8.

N°. 16

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs

This waits on you ℔ his Majesty's Ship Lively by whom we have sent Copy's of our General Books for 1745 and 1746 also our Diarys and Consultations Cash and Paymasters Accounts from August 1746 to January 1747/8 together with sundry other Papers as ℔ List inclosed.

The 19th. Instant We received Your Favour of the 17th. December acquainting us with the Loss of the Fogo and our Honble Masters Sloop Success which We are sorry for. We observe what you say concerning the Princess Amelia and shall be carefull to keep a good look out.

We hope the Fort St. George is safe notwithstanding She has been so Unfortunate to pass Your Port a second Time. We are

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedt. Humble Servants

RICHD. PRINCE.
ROBT. GOODERE
FOSS WESTCOTT.

VIZAGAPATAM
25TH. JANUARY 1747/8.

No. 17

TO THE WORSHIPL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS

We wrote You under date the 10th. Inst. ℔ Ship Warwick Duplicate whereof comes herewith as also Copies of the Manifests of Coral & Private Trade ℔ Ships Cæsar & Eastcourt with the Box Packet recd. from the Latter We shall send you Copies of these Ships Invoices when drawn out & are

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servts.

JOHN FORSTER.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUMP: BELLAMY.
WILLM. KEMPE.

FORT WILLIAM
JANUARY THE 18TH. 1747/8.

No. 18

TO THE WORSHIPL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS

We wrote you last under the 4th. Ultimo Duplicate of which was dispatch'd on the 16th. following by a Pair of your Pattamars, at which time the President communicated to the Deputy Governour such Europe News as had been received here from Bussorah. Since when vizt. on the 5th. Instant your Advices of the 1st. of last Month came to hand.

In your Letter above mentioned you advise to to [*sic*] have drawn a Bill on us in favour of Capt. Samuel Hough for twelve hundred seventy five (1275) Bombay Current Rupees, but the Bill he tender'd us for Acceptance differs therefrom as well in Date as Amt. it being dated the 26th. November last & the Sum specified in the Body thereof to be paid him here being only Eleven hundred seventy three (1173) Bombay Current Rupees, We have however accepted the sd. Bill & shall discharge the Amount being eleven hundred seventy three (1173) Bombay Current Rupees when due debting your Settlement for the same. As Surat and Bombay Rupees are the same to us, if you judge it more advantageous you may in future draw on the Chief & Factors at Surat & your Bills will be punctually answer'd.

By private Advices from Callicutt we are informed that the Ilchester would Sail from Anjengo to Europe about the 9th. of last Month, tho' when she Arrived there or any other Circumstances concerning her, we are unacquainted with.

The S^{t}. Lewis French Ship was lying in Goa about twelve days ago; And the two French Privateers with their Prize the Anson sailed on the 3^{d}: Ult^{o}. from that Port to the Southard, & by private Advices of the 18th. following from Callicutt they had not been heard of there, from whence we conjecture they are gone clear off the Coast to Mauritius.

The President having laid before us a Letter from the Deputy Gov^{r}. recommending Ensign John Williams for a Lieutenants Commission on Account of his good Behaviour at y^{r}. Settlement, a Commission appointing him Lieutenant & Com^{r}. of a Company is Accordingly enclosed.

We are

WORSHIP^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

WILL^{M}. WAKE.
R: RAWDON.
RICH^{D}. SAUNDERS.
J. SEWELL.
THO^{S}. DORRILL.

BOMBAY CASTLE.
JANUARY THE 11TH: 1747/8.

N^{o}. 19

TO THE WORSHIP^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOV^{R}. &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH: SIR & SIRS,

We have receiv'd your favour of the 9th. Ins^{t}. and with great Pleasure hear of M^{r}. Griffins timely Arrival, to frustrate Monsieur Duplex's designs, which no doubt must have caused blood Shed.

We had advice by a Macao Ship of Commodore Pawletts passing Malacca, and with great pleasure hear of his Arrival in Bengall and hope he is with you before now.

The 24th. Ins^{t}. the S^{t}. Lewis a French Ship of about 40 Guns, came into our Road under English Colours, and Anchor'd out of Gun Shott of the Fort, she detain'd a Boat we sent on on board her, and put an Officer, and three other Men Armed & sent her on board a Maccao Ship then riding in the Road but we intercepted them in their return, and brought our own boat, & the four French Men ashore, where they remain. The French Captain sent the Portugueze Captain a Bullying Letter that he Wou'd Sink his Ship, if his Men were not return'd in two hours but he went away very quietly.

The Gentleman that is here Prisoner, his Name is Monclair, and wou'd be glad to be exchanged for any Gentlemen of his Rank, he is said to be second Lieutenant of the S^{t}. Lewis.

We are glad to hear that the George Snow is safe Arrived, and We are

WORSHIP^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

RICH^{D}. BOURCHIER.
THOMAS PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.

ANJENGO.
JANU^{Y}. 31ST. 1747/8.

N°. 20

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs

According to the Order of the Honourable the Secrett Committee We have touch'd at this Port & received Your favour of December the 3^{d}: directed for the Commander of any of the Honourab[le] Company's Ships. On our coming ashore the Governour of this Place was just dispatching an Express for Columbo so have only but Just time to Advise of our Arrival we left Spithead the 7th. August & Arriv'd at the Cape the 4th. November, left that the 17th. November and arriv'd here this Day & shall be sure to Comply with the Orders Contain'd In Yours. As for Publick News we must deferr till to Morrow Intending then (as we have so little time now) to give you the Particulars by an Express. Shall only now let you know that the Prince of Orange is chosen Stathoulder of the Seven Provinces who has sent Letters by our Hoñble Company's Snow the Swallow Captain Hutchison to the Cape & likewise to Batavia with Orders to take Burn or distroy the French Ships where ever they Can meet them. The Admiral Lord Anson and Sir Peter Warren in a Fleet of his Majesty's Ships upon a Cruize have taken the Invincible a 76 Gunn Ship 44 Pounders & five more Ships of the Line together wth. 6 French East India Company's Ships bound to the East Indies. We having not time to add any more Abruptly Subscribe Ourselves

Gentlemen
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servants
Will^{M}. Webber of the P.W.
Benj: Fisher of the Porto Bello
Henry Broadly of the T. B^{n}.

Point de Galle
the 29th. Jan^{y}. 1747/8

P.S. Admiral Boscowen with Six Ships of the Line You may Expect in India very soon they being to leave England the Beginning of last September.

N°. 21

To the Hon̄b^{l} Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Governour &c. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to our Last of the 29th. Instant take Liberty further to Advise of a few Particulars therein omitted for want of time.

We left Spithead under the Convoy of his Majesty's Ship Telbury, who see us with the Hoñble Company's Snow Swallow, Hutchinson, and Tryal Snow, Tayler, about 150 Leag^{s}. to the Westward of the Lizard.

On the 13th. of August Swallow left our Company In the Lattitude of 47^{d}: 00^{Θ} N. and Long^{d}. 12^{d}: 00^{Θ} West who Arriv'd at the Cape the Day before us, having on Board Packets from the Prince of Orange, to the Governour of the Cape and General of Betavia, containing Orders to Sink Burn and Distroy the French where ever they meet them. The Tryal Snow kept us Company In[to] 4^{d}: 00^{Θ} N. and Long^{d}. 20^{d}: 00^{Θ} West, Where We left her, She Sailing heavy, She is under Secret Orders.

The Lapwing Cheney got Safe to the Cape the beginning of Augst. being but 31 days from Bencoolen, her Stay at the Cape was only five or Six days.

We left the Kent Robson there, who with the Marlborough Smith, and Salsbury Borrows, lost their Passage, and Winter'd at Delagoa, the two Latter did not touch at the Cape, being Ordered to S^{t}. Pauls Loango Where they are to meet a Sixty Gun Ship of War, and the Kent to S^{t}. Helena.

The Ships as ℔ list Inclosed was taken up some time before we left Portsmouth, but where [*sic*] not Station'd. We left at Spithead the Dorrington Crabb for Bombay, and China and the Strattam Pennell for Bombay, who we Suppose will leave England under the Convoy of Admiral Boscawen.

The Duke of Cumberland has had a Battle in Flanders in June last, but the French got the field tho' with great loss, and what has greatly lessn'd their Joy on that Account is a Signal Victory Gain'd in Italy over the Chevalier Belleisle's Army, where in they lost five thousand men with the Death of the said Chevalier, who behav'd very Gallantly or rather Rashly. The King of Sardinia with the Empress Queen lost no more than 120 men, the Battle being fought, on the heights of Evil & Assiety which are Places difficult to come at, which Occasin'd that Great Dispropotion of the Enemy's loss.

The French have taken most of the Dutch Barriers, and on the 3^{d}. of July laid Seige to a place is thought by the Dutch to be Impregnable called Bergen o[p] Zoome, the Enemy has lost Already ten thousand men, and are no nearer taken it than the first day & it was Strongly Reported before we left England that they had Rais'd the Seige.

They Desired a Suspension of Arms to bury their Dead, but was Answer'd as they came not according to the laws of War, but as Incendiarys they would not grant it.

We Expect, Orders hourly from the Gov^{r}. of Columbo to go in this Bay for at Present we all lay in the Road. We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servants

BENJ : FISHER.
WILL : WEBBER.
HENRY BROADLEY.

GALLE ROAD
31ST. JAN^{Y}. 1747/8.

P.S. The Prince William Capt. Webber, & the True Britain are both Consign'd to Bengall.

A LIST OF SHIPS TAKEN UP IN THE HONOURABLE COMPANY'S SERVICE, VIZ^{T}.

WAGER	Charles Raymond.
LINCOLN	John Blake.
RODA	Joseph Philips.
ADM^{L}. VERNON	Cooke.
DUKE OF DORSET	Frognall.
EDGBASTON	Hereford.
SCARBOROUGH	D'Averenge.
GODOLPHIN	Stevens.
HARDWICK	Sampson.
ELIZABETH	Lawrence.
FORT S^{T}. GEORGE	Brassey.
ROYAL DUKE	Cumming.
WINCHESTER	Carter.
MONTAGUE	Pearce.
DELAWAR	Stevens.

N°. 22

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
Deputy Gov^r^. &c. Council at
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have receiv'd your Letter of the 12^th^. Dec^r^. and have at length got the Chay Goods from Coja Meerza which I intend Shipping Off this Evening for Pondamarca (there being no Conveyance Offering directly for Vizagapatam,) from whence shall write to M^r^. Prince to send a Boat for the Bales.

Agreeable to your Orders I have withdrawn Maddapollam Factory and sent every thing to Ingeram in the Honourable Companys Barr Boat where she is safely Arriv'd, and have left four Peons to look after the Factory and to carry Letters to and fro.

The Nabob is greatly Disgusted at the Disapointment of his Annual Present, and M^r^. Saunders of Ingeram writes me that he is apprehensive of my being laid hold of should I go there, therefore thinks it better that I go to Vizagapatam along with the Bales w^ch^. I propose doing, and wait till I hear further from Ingeram.

I shall write your Honour &c^a^. again upon my Arrival at Vizagapatam till when I beg leave to Subscribe myself

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servant
Samuel Banks

Mazlipatam.
the 24^th^. Feb^y^. 1748.

N°. 23

To the Honble Governour & Council at
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Answer to your favour of the 20^th^. of December we forwarded the 29^th^. Ult°. with the most Material News from England, and what most concern'd our Honble Masters Affairs.

On the 31^st^. following we Dispatch'd another Express with the Heads of the News Relating to the Warr's In Europe both which we hope are got Safe to hand.

We are now further to acquaint You that Yesterday we Rec^d^. three Letters from M^r^. Bourchier of Anjengo, as ℔ Copy's enclos'd which we thought it Incumbent on us to forward for fear any Ships now at Fort S^t^. Davids Should be bound on the Malabar Side, & Should fall in the Enemys hands.

Captain Thorp and Graham Anchor'd in this Road the 2^d^. Ins^t^. who gave us some Acc^t^. of the Situation of Affairs in the Bay, they are bound up the Malabar Coast with Rice, but Seem'd inclinable to call in at Columbo as we hope they did, or Else they will Run a great Risque of Meeting the Enemy.

We have nothing further to add Worthy of your Notice but Shall be Sure to learn what Intelegence we can, at this place, and Communicate the same by all Opportunity's that Offers, & we are Sir & Sirs with great Respect

Your most Obed^t^. & most humble. Servants
Benj^m^. Fisher.
Will: Webber.
Henry Broadley.

Galle
Feb^y^. 10^th^. 1747/8.

COPY.

TO THE COMMANDER OF ANY ENGLISH SHIP.

SIR

This is to Inform You that a large French Ship Station'd herself off of Brenjohn the 14th. Instant. She Seiz'd my Advice Boat and detained her two Days and then released her. She Carry's Two teer of Guns has about 150 Europeans On Board and a Number of Coffrey's I take her to be the St. Lewis which was refitted at Goa.

I hope this will come in time to Prevent Your falling into the Enemy's hands & Should She quitt this Station I will Immediately send Advice both to Galle and Columbo.

It has been reported that Three french Ships were seen time ago Off Dieu Point but that is Black-fellows Advice and not to be depend'd on if it is true it must be the Two Privateers and the Anson. Angrias Fleet has been down the Coast and return'd to the Northward some time ago without doing any other mischief besides taking a few of the Northern Bombaras.

Not one Vessell has yet appeared from Bengall or Europe. I wish all may be Safe as their [*sic*] was terrible Weather In the Beginning of December. You will please to make this Letter up again when you have Read it to Advise any Person who may Come after You. I am

Yours &ca.

RICHD BOURCHIER.

ANJENGO.
THE 17TH. JANUARY 1747/8.

COPY.

SIR

The French Ship Mentioned in my former letter of the 17th. Instant hath not been Seen or heard of since upon this part of the Coast tho' I have had a very good look out all along Shore.

My People who were Confined On Board of her tell me that the French Man's Provisions were very bad, both his Bread and Salt fish were rotton which probably made him quitt his Station so soon. I shall be glad to See you at Anjengo & am

Your most Humble Servant

RICHD. BOURCHIER.

ANJENGO.
THE 23TH. JANUARY 1747/8.

COPY.

SIR

This is to inform you that there is a french 40 Gun Ship a Cruizing between this Place and Cape Camarine called the St. Lewis She has the best half of her Ships Company Coffres, She hath been in this Station ever Since ye. 18th. Instant and Anchor'd in this Road Yesterday under English Colours, when I am certain of her quitting this Station I will take care to send Advice. You will be Sure to find my Boats at Coletche & Brinjohn if you come upon this Coast you have my best Wishes for your Safety & am

Your most Humble Servant

RICHD. BOURCHIER.

ANJENGO.
THE 25TH JANUARY 1747/8.

N°. 24

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship : Sir & Sirs

We have receiv'd your Letter dated the 16th. October 1747 the Bill you have drawn in favour of Mess^{rs} : Fytche & Burrow has been Accepted & Shall be Paid.

We now dispatch you the Fort S^{t}. George Sloop with 1200 Maunds of Patcheree Rice Some Cachridge Paper as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading Enclosed. This Quantity of fine Rice was all we could procure as it is very Scarce. We desire you will return this Sloop to us as soon as possible.

We also desire you will Supply us with Six thousand Maunds of Red Wood as We have None to Supply the Company's Ships.

Enclosed we send you the Invoices of the Goods design'd for Madrass Presidency the Amount whereof We shall bring to the Credit of your Settlement and are

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

John Forster.
Will^{M}. Barwell.
Adam Dawson.
Hum : Bellamy.
Will : Kempe.
Rob^{T}. Eyre.

Fort William
the 11TH. Feb^{Y}. 1747/8.

N°. 25

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Governour &c^{A}. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs

Being Informed that the General will dispatch a Sloop for the Coast of Choromandell to Morrow we take the Opportunity to Advise you that our Honble Masters Ship Princess Augusta arriv'd at this Port the 1st. Ult^{o}. with Capt. Jacobs dead On Board. The next Day M^{r}. Lessly y^{e}. Chief Mate wrote us a Letter to acquaint us of the Death of his Capt. and to desire that we would come on Board, examine his Papers, and execute such Orders as your Worship &c. had entrusted, Captain Jacobs with at this Port. To which we agreed thinking as M^{r}. Lessly was an intire Stranger our Assistance might be usefull. Accordingly we both went Immediately on Board and found by Examineing the Captains Papers a Chest of Silver containing Four Thousand Spanish Dollars Ship'd by the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlbro to be Invested in Plank and Arrack, which We have performed in the best manner the present time would admit of; as we hope to have the Hon^{r}. of explaining to you by the Ship, which we think will be able to Sail from hence in a few days & are

Worship^{LL}. Sir & Sirs

Your most Obed^{t}. hum^{ble}. Servants

S. Harrison.
Henry Parsons.

Betavia
22TH. December 1747.

N°. 26

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship^{LL}. Sir & Sirs

We have received Your Favour of the 7th. February by our Hoñble Masters Ship Colchester who did not arrive here till the 23^{d}. at Night, The Treasure and Wares were landed the Next day, and we Shall send to Ingeram and Ganjam what is appointed for those Places.

Having nothing that is material to advise you of at present We Shall take up no more of your time but Conclude with Assuring you that We are

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Hum: Serv^{ts}.
Rich^{D}. Prince.
Rob^{T}. Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

Vizagapatam
the 2^{D}. March 1747/8.

N°. 27

Duplicate.

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs

This Serves to Inclose Invoice and Bill of Lading for 35 Garse of Chunam laden on Board Boat Hussein Bux Amounting to Pag^{s}. 140: 32: 20. I am

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
Tho^{s}. Saunders.

Ingeram
the 20th. Feb^{y}. 1747/8.

N°. 28

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council at
Fort S^{T}. David.

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs

This is to inclose Invoice and Bill of Lading for 68 Garse of Chunam laden on Brig^{n}. Annapournah Syrang Wooder Lingapa, Amounting to Pag^{s}: 283. 15. 60. I am

Worship^{L}. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
Tho^{s}. Saunders.

Ingeram
the 20th. Feb^{y}. 1747/8.

N°. 29

To THE WORSHIPL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS

This Accompanys Copy of what wrote you ℔ Brign. Annapournah and Boat Hussein Bux with Duplicate Invoices and Second Bills of Lading for Chunam laden On Said Vessells. Since which I have been favour'd with your Worships &ca. of the 8th. Ulto. with the Supply of Seven thousand Rupees & the Wares & Stores which I shall husband as much as possible by retrenching the Factory Expences. I am

WORSHIPL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servant
THOS. SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
THE 7TH. MARCH 1747/8.

N°. 30

Duplicate.

To CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

GENTLEMEN

Your favour of the 20th. February accompanying Duplicate of that dated the 19th. January came to hand the 11th. Instant we fear Original of the latter must have fallen into the Enemys hands by our not having yet received it and the List of Mahomed Cauns Seepoys who desire to have their family paid here was not Enclosed Altho our last joint Address was dated so long agoe as the 22d. September. The Chief has frequently dispatched Pattamars since with Letters to Mr. Floyer which must have been received as the same Pattamars have brought us Your Advices and none other.

We have really no Conveyances for carrying your Timber nor are any procurable here. However we Shall shortly Write to the Presidency for them and Should the Grandison belonging to Padree Lynham call here in her return from Goa he has intimated to the Chief that he will bring you what his Ship may be Able to take in.

On the 12th. Instant we were informed of the agreeable News of our Hoñble Masters Ships Porto Bello, Prince William and True Briton their Arrival at Gallé on the 29th. Janry. where they were waiting Orders from you for their further Proceeding so that we doubt not they will be Arrived with you before this. The St. Lewis is Still at Mahie.

We are

GENTLEMEN
Your most Humble Servants
WILLIAM WEST.
H. SYMMONS.
JOHN R[OBINSON].
CHAS. WATERS.
W. DE LA GARE.

TELLICHERRY
MARCH 22D. 1747/8.

N°. 31

To Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
Deputy Governour &c. Council at
Fort S^t^. David.

Gentlemen

On the 22^d^. Ult^o^. we Acknowledged Receipt of your favour of the 20^th^. February Duplicate of which is Enclosed and on the 26^th^. of the same Month came to hand, its Duplicate with the List of the Seepoys in Mahomed Cawns Company who desire part of their Pay may be given their Family's here which we Shall daily [*sic*] Comply with.

We have the pleasure to Advise you that his Majesty's Ships Exeter and Winchester Attacked the S^t^. Lewis at Anchor in Mahie Road on the 30^th^. Ultimo who defended herself for some time very vigorously but in about two hours after the Engagement began She was Obliged by our Ships Brisk fire to Cutt her cable & Retreat under Mahie Guns by the help of Such Sail as was left whole for most of it was Torn from the Yards, & her Rigging three Top and Top Gallant Masts were carried away but notwithstanding the Engagement did not Cease till Sunsett and Several Shott were fired at our Ships from Mahie Fort we had only two Men killed in the Engagement but we hear upwards of forty of the Enemy were lost among which were the Captain and two Officers. Toneys were Employed all Night on the 30^th^. in Unloading her Cargoe, which Chiefly, Consisted of Pepper, and the next Morning She was Haul'd in entirely under the Shelter of Mahie Guns. So that our Shott cou'd have done no Execution, without going under Mahie Cannon. However we have Information that She has rec^d^. such Damage That it will be impossible for her to get ou[t] this Season again. Both the Exeter and Winchester come [*sic*] into our Road Yesterday and are now at Anchor.

We are

Gentlemen

Your most Humble Servants

William West.
H. Symmons.
John Robinson.
Cha^s^. Waters.
W. De La Gare.

Tellicherry
April the 1^st^. 1748.

N°. 32

To the Worship^L^. Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
Deputy Governour &c. Council at
Fort S^t^. David.

Worship^LL^. Sir & Sirs

This incloses duplicate of our last under the 2^d^. Instant since when M^r^. Samuel Banks arrived here from Metchlepatam and brought with him fourteen Bales of the Hoñble Company's Chay Goods which have been put into our Godowns & Shall be taken due Care of till We Receive Your Orders concerning them. We are

Worship^LL^. Sir & Sirs

Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servants

Rich^D^. Prince.
Rob^T^. Goodere.

Vizagapatam
The 10^th^. March 1747/8.

N°. 33

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ca. Council at Fort St. David.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

I am now to reply to your Severall Obliging Favours of the 17th. December 17th. January & 8th. Febry. I am fully Convinced of your Worships &ca. kind remembrance of me, by the Jenny last Year, and am too well acquainted with the late exigency of Affairs, to reprime, when I know places of more Consideration than this have wanted; therefore I am greatly Obliged to you, for the (3000) Rupees, you have been pleased to Order me by the Colchester, though I have not yet received it.

Rups.

I long Since received Liberty from the President and Council of Fort St. George, to make some presents in the Catack Country, in Order to Obtain a free Passage, for our Peons and Letters which I deferr'd doing till the Shamefull delay of the Tappers (the Ballasore Letters never reaching me, in less than Twenty or Twenty five Days) and the frequent complaints made by them, Obliged me to Apply to that Nabob, as you will Observe by my December Accounts but being assured by him, that they met with no Impediment from his People, and finding that my Own Peons went in half the time, I acquainted Mr. Kelsall that I beleived the fault to lie in the Tappers themselves, upon which he immediately removed them & the Tappas being likewise removed between this place and Vizagapatam I found it Necessary to encrease my Number of Peons as ℔ Account In January.

The Boat on which I sent the Success's Rice, Gunneys &ca. is not yet returned, those people (contrary to agreement made with me for a Second Trip) have laden Salt at Cobelong for Burwah, at which place they Arrived a few days past, however, as Grain is so Cheap with you Freight and other Charges, risque of the Sea, and the Hazard of a Second Passage considered, I beleive your Worship &ca. will be of Oppinion, that the loss upon the Sales, will not be much more here, than at St. Davids I shall therefore dispose of the remainder in the best manner I can.

As Opportunity Offers I shall be oblig'd to you, for a Supply of Stationary Ware, I am with the greatest Esteem

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. Humble Servt

John Andrews.

Ganjam
The 15th. March 1747/8.

N°. 34

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Honourable Sir & much Esteemed Friends

As Our high Superiours at Betavia according to their Letter Separately Addressed to Us which was Brought to Fort St. David by One of your Briganteens and from thence by your Goodness forwarded to Us last Night, have resolved, in consequence of the Hostilities that have been committed by the Crown of France upon the Territories and Places of our Sovereign in the Nether Lands without declaring War, to repell Force by Force and to do that Nation all possible Damage in these parts by Sea & by Land; and have likewise Strenously Commanded Us and the Ministers of the other Governments and Settlements belonging to Our Company not only to Break off all Corrispondence and Trafick with that Nation, but also to prevent the least help and Assistance from being given to them even in the most indifferent Matters and On the Contrary, to Entertain the Strictest Corrispondence with you & your Nation As Our Allies that the Mutual preservation of both requires, And in Case of Need to Afford you all the Assistance in our Power in Order to

intimidate Our Common Enemy and Ward off the Blows which they intend Us: We therefore cannot Deferr giving you immediate Notice hereof with a respectfull Assurance that We Shall punctually fullfill & Obey that Order, and to that End have already dispatched the Necessary Orders to all our Subordinate Settlements On this Coast and hereby most humbly request you will do the Same. We remain with Regard

HONOURABLE SIR & MUCH ESTEEMED FRIENDS

Your Most Obed^{t}. Humble Servants

G^{s}. MERSEU.
C. S. V. DREUTLEN.
P^{R}. VAN SON.
S^{TN}. VERMOUT.
JAN: MARTENSZ.
D^{o}. C. VICK.
GERRIT VAN VEEN.
J. J. V^{N}. TEYLINGEN.

NEGAPATAM.
28/17 APRIL 1748.

P.S. You are most friendly requested to forward the Enclosed by the first Sea Conveyance to Our Government In Bengall.

N^{o}. 35

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{L}. SIR & SIRS

We have rec^{d}. your Favours of the 25th. Jan^{y}. & 5th. Ultimo with an Indent of Gunners Stores which Shall be complied with as near as possible and as Opportunities offer but the Quantity of Sundry Postes you indent for will not be procurable in a great while.

As you write so pressingly for more Bullion We now Send you on Ship Danbury 13 Chests As ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed and as by the Tryal Snow which we are preparing to send with part of the Stores we Shall Send 12 Chests more. This Vessell imported here the 19th. Ult^{o}. She left England the 7th. August and was in Company with our Honble Masters Ships the Porto Bello, True Briton, Prince William, and Swallow Snow in 2 North Lattitude to the Westward of the Cape She Brought a Packett for your Settlement which we now send you ℔ Ship Danbury.

We cannot possibly Supply your Northern Settlements with Money as We have not yet been able to turn Our Bullion into Rupees and as We have nothing in Exchange for it but Siccas there would arise a great Loss to Our Honble Masters in Sending them that way We must therefore leave it to you to Supply them with such Species of Money As have been usually sent thither.

We have Ordered Our Military Pay Master to pay the Families of the Military in future in Arcott Rupees and adjust the difference for the time past.

We are

WORSHIP^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

JOHN FORSTER.
[WILL: BARWELL].
ADAM DAWSON.
HUMPHRY BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.

FORT WILLIAM
4TH. MARCH 1747/8.

P.S.

Since closing the above We received your favr. of the 16th. February and Duplicate of the 8th. Do. ℔ Colchester which Ship is not yet come into the River but we learn She is in Balasore Road and expect her hourly. We Shall endeavour to dispatch her back to you with such Stores as We can get On Board but it is so late in the Season We much Question wether she will be able to get her passage back.

We have no Stores come out for your Coast except some Scales and Weights with Utensils for the Mint which Shall be sent you also some part of Our Medicines.

We are

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

JOHN FORSTER.
WILLIAM BARWELL.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUMP: BELLAMY.
WILLIAM KEMPE.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 7TH. MARCH 1747/8.

No. 36

TO THE WORSHIPL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

GENTLEMEN

We wrote you last under the 1st. Instant since which the Bombay Grab with the Augusta have Arriv'd here from Bombay, and this Pattamar we purposely dispatch to you, to forward the Enclosed drafts on the Agent Victual[ler] & Storekeeper to his Majestys Squadron for Sundries Supply[ed] the Exeter and Winchester, by our Steward who has endorse[d] and made them payable to You, which we desire you'll recover, as their Amount will be Brought to your Debt.

The Winchester and Exeter left this Place the 3d. & 6th. Instant, the former for Bombay and latter we beleive for your place in Order to Joyn the Squadron. The St. Lewis is Still at Mahie, but imagine She will never be able to go to Sea. We are

GENTLEMEN

Your Most Humble Servants

WILL: WEST.
J. BYFELD.
JOHN ROBINSON.
THOS. BENTON.
CHA: WATERS.

TELLICHERRY
THE 9TH. APRIL 1748.

P.S. We have enclosed you a Duplicate of our last under the 1st. April 1748.

N°. 37

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

Enclosed is Duplicate of our last under date the 7th. Instant ℔ Ship Danbury.

We have laden 12 Chests of Treasure and Sundry Stores on this Vessell as ℔ Invoice & Bills of Lading Enclosed.

In Consequence of your request under date the 16th. Ultimo We have ordered Messrs. Fairfield & Starke who came out In the Companys Service for the Coast to prepare themselves to go up to Your Settlement and the former accordingly takes his Passage on the Tryal Snow He Arrived here the 8th. October 1746 from which time he is to take his Standing at Your Settlement agreeable to the Companys Orders for that purpose having been Employed In their Service here since his Arrival, and Mr. Starke will follow on the next Conveyance that Offers.

We must here Observe that by the Ships lately Arrived with Us We received no more than 190 Chests of Bullion 25 of which we forwarded to you by the Ships direct'd to Your Settlement and Twenty (20) more the Agents of the Squadron have had for the Use of his Majesty which with the Twenty Five (25) Chests sent by the Danbury & Tryall reduces the Number to One hundred & Twenty (120) Chests to Answer all Exigencys and to Supply Our Merchants for the large Quantity of Goods they furnished the last Year: We are also largely Endebted to Futtichends House whom We are Obliged to pay in part in Order to Support our Credit. We must therefore desire you will Supply Us plentifully Should the Latter Ships fall in with your Settlement mostly in Rupees as Our Honble Master's Credit depends greatly On the Expected Supply as well as Our Ensuing Investment. We are

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

Your Most Humble Servants

John Forster.
William Barwell.
Adam Dawson.
Hump: Bellamy.
William Kempe.
William Fytche.

Fort William
the 17th. March 1747/8.

N°. 38

To Charles Floyer Esqr.
Governour &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Honourable Sir & Sirs

I wrote your Honour &c. of the 24th. Ultº. since which I am Favoured with yours of the 8th. of the Same, and this Serves only to Advise you of my Arrival here wth. the Chay Goods of the 2d. Instant, but the Houghton was gon for Bengall some Days before. I am

With much Respect

Honourable Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. humble Servt.

Samuel Banks.

[V]izagapatam
the 7th. March 1747/8.

N°. 39

To the Worshipl. John Hinde Esqr.
Governour &ca. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

We received your Favour of the 17th. of October last, by the Porto Bello, Capt: Walter Hook, with a Letter for the Honourable East India Company, which we Shall forward by the first Opportunity, that Offers for Great Britain as you desire.

As the Company have had the Misfortune to loose Madrass, we are deprived of the Necessary's, we used to receive from thence, and are therefore Obliged to request you, if possible, to Supply us with the following things, for the Use of this Place, forty Peices fine Long Cloth, of about Ten Pagodas ℔ Peice, One hundred peices Middling, of about five Pagodas ℔ Peice, fifty Peices of Ordinary and the Rest of the One ℔ Cent in Arrack, Rice and Paddy.

The Honourable Company have been pleased to recall their late Governour, Colonel David Dunba[r] from their Service here, and Vest the Government in Us.

We have Enclosed you the Annual List of the Arrival, and Departure of Ships at, and from this Island. We are

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servants
Charles Hutchinson.
John Clark.
B. Wright.

St: Helena
26th. May 1747.

List of Ships Arrival and Departure to and from St. Helena from the 30th. April 1746 to the 26th. May 1747.

Ships Names.	Commanders.	Arrival.	Departure.
Somerset	Thomas Jolson ..	April 30th. 1746 ..	May the 27th. 1746.
His Majestys Ship Deptford.	John Moor	May 4th. Do. ..	June the 17: Do.
His Majestys Ship Dolphin.	Chas. Wrey ..	Do. Do. Do. ..	Do. Do. Do.
Edgbaston ..	John Hereford ..		
Lincoln	John Blake ..		
Vernon	Edmund Cooke ..		
Dragon	Henry Kent ..	Do. 28th. Do. ..	Do. 7th. Do.
Hardwick	John Hallet ..	Do. Do. Do. ..	Do. 17th. Do.
Orford	Edmund Smith ..		July 3d. Do.
Queen Caroline ..	Benjamin Mason ..	Do. 29th. Do. ..	June 17th. Do.
Wager	Charles Raymond ..	Do. 30th. Do. ..	
Royal George ..	Thomas Field ..	July 8th. Do. ..	July the 31th. Do.
Scarborough ..	Philip D'Auvernge..		
Prince Edward ..	Robert Haldane ..	December 24th. Do.	Jany. 13th. Do.
Porto Bello Sloop ..	Walter Hook ..	Feb. 4th. Do.	Feb. 10th. Do.
Swift Snow ..	John Bell	March 13th. Do. ..	March 15th. Do.
A Dane Ship called the Christianburg Slot.	Lyder Ridder ..	April 15th. 1747 ..	April 26th. 1747.
A Dane Ship called the Fyen.	Ackelaye	Do. 20th. Do. ..	
Somerset	Thomas Jolson ..	Do. 21st. Do. ..	
Pelham	George Lindsay ..		
Augusta	Thomas Parker ..	May 4th. Do. ..	
London	William Sedgwick ..		
Grantham	Walter Wilson ..	Do. 13th. Do. ..	
Walpole	Benjamin Lowe ..	Do. 17 Do. ..	
A Dutch Ship called the Lekkerland.	John De Boer ..	22d. May 1747 ..	

N°. 40

To the Worship^{L}. Charles Floyer Esq^{R}.
Deputy Governour &c. Council at
Fort S^{t}. David.

Worship^{LL}. Sir & Sirs

Your Favour to Us by the Princess Augusta Dated the 2^{d}. Ultimo, reached Our Hands y^{e}. 30th. of the same Month, and as We observed therein was your Inclinations to have that Ship forwarded to Betavia, We caused the 485 Bales Consigned us on her to be immediately Transported to Our Honourable Masters Ship Grantham now in Our Road and Shall continue them on Board her as part of her homeward bound Cargo. We have also deliver'd and Consigned to Captain Jacob One Chest of Treasure Contain^{g}. four thousand Dollers in order to purchase Timber Plank and Arrack which you are in want off, Conformable to the Directions, which We Suppose he has received from Your Worship &c^{a}.

In our Last letter by the Sloop Success Dated the 29th. July Duplicate of which comes Under cover we acquainted Your Worship &c^{a}. with the extream bad Condition of the Fanny which Vessell was then thought to be capable of Repair, but upon a thorough Survey since taken It was found impracticable, and She has been Condemn'd, Upon Examination all her Floor Timbers proved entirely Rotten and most of them Seperated from her Keel, which was not seen till her Loading of Iron was Landed, and indeed was a matter of Surprize that She had not foundered at Sea, We must therefore request Your Worship &c. to return us back the Sloop Success or Some other Vessell in her Stead, having only two Small Sloops to perform the Service of the Coast.

The not Sending us any Rice or Sault on this Ship proves no immediate Disapointment to Us, having rec^{d}. the Supply's We mentioned to have wrote for from Betavia. We Nevertheless request a Compliance with our Indent to Your Worship &c^{a}. the first Opportunity.

By private hands We are acquainted that the Brillant Snow Captain Byers is dispatched by your Worship &c^{a}. for this Place, but we are not Informed what She has on board, a Duplicate of Your Letter by her would have given us much Pleasure as We Suppose it Contains an Answer to Our Packet by the Bombay Castle.

We Shall not fail to Dispose of the Two Letters sent by the Commanders of any Ships bound Your Way in the manner desired and to enforce a Compliance by Orders from hence, in case any of those Ships Should touch here.

Your Worship &c^{a}. may be Perfectly Assured that we should not have detained the Military by the Bombay Castle without an Absolute Necessity: but at that time the Safety of the Honble Company's Settlement Obliged us to do it. The News of the Loss of Madrass, and the Apprehensions We were Under Ourselves, rendered it a Duty incombent on us to provide for Our Safety as We are distant from all Assistance, and our Chief Dependance lies on the European Garrison: We Shall ever Act for Our Honourable Masters Interest, which We Apprehended to be in danger when we detained those Men, and Your Worship &c^{a}. will Observe by the Inclosed Duplicate of our Letter by the Sloop Success, that we were even then, obliged to ask your Assistance in Sending Us Peons; which we Still recommend to Your Compliance.

The Graham Arrived here the 11th. Sept^{r}. having first touched at S^{t}. Helena and Betavia. She Sail'd from Spithead the 19th. February in Company with the Stafford the York and S^{t}. George for China, the Anson for Persia and Bombay and the Heathcote for Mocha. The Eastcourt, the Cæsar, the Colchester, the Winchester, and the Benjamin all for Coast and Bay, were intended to Sail some time in March in Company with three Men of Warr, and the other India Ships; but as We imagine the Unwelcome News of the Loss of Madrass arrived In England before their Departure, it may probably have detained them somewhat Longer, or perhaps, Altered the Honourable Company's Disposition.

The Grantham is now going to receive the Pepper of the Nothern Ports, and will be dispatched home in proper time.

The Reverend Mr: Ryder, who came out for Fort St. George On the Bombay Castle, and requested Liberty to remain upon Our Establishment, takes Passage on this Ship and has Received his Pay to Ulto. September, Mr. Fordyce our late Chaplain upon his quitting the Place, took with him the Register Book of Death's, Marriages &ca. we must [t]herefore request Your Worship &ca. to Order the Delivery of it, and to transmitt it to Us by the first Opportunity, reserving an Attested Copy of it in case of Accident. The Reverend Mr. Burges who is appointed Chaplain here and Arrived On the Grantham expressed a good deal of Surprize at the above proceeding.

Captain Jacob having presented us a Petition and Indent for Some Stores for the Use of the Ship, We have caused what part of them We could Spare to be deliver'd him and enclosed is the Storekeepers Account of the Particulars. We have also at his request Advanced him the Sum of ℔ (800) Eight hundred Spanish Dollars to discharge two Months Imprest to the Ships Crew amounting to (1098) Rupees and to Purchase those Things we could not Supply him with at Betavia, having as he Assured us no Stock belonging to the Ship, nor a Sufficiency of Provisions for the People and for the Disbursements of which he is to Account with Your Worship &ca. upon his Arrival at Fort St. David, Enclosed comes his first Receipt for the Same.

We do not Observe in Your Invoice of the Price Goods ℔ Princess Augusta that you have made any Charge for the Allowance of Freight Usually brought to the Credit of the Honble Company's Ships Accounts upon the like Occasion, We cannot therefore insert it in our Invoice home, lest the Credit allowed by Us should not agree with your Books.

Neither have your Worship &ca. mentioned from what time the Lascars Sent upon the Lapwing Commenced Pay, but only that four Months Imprest has been Advanced them, the Syrang Assures us that they enter'd into Pay the first of May and as We have no other Testimony, We must Abide by his word, till we have Advice from your Worship &ca.

Whenever any of the Honourable Company's Ship's or Vessells are Sent to Betavia, It has been Customary to write a Complimentory Letter to the General and Council there and is always Expected by them. We have therefore wrote them a Letter as We are inform'd by Captain Jacob he had none from Your Worship &ca. We hope It will prove a means of his Obtaining the Necessaries wanted and prove agreeable to Your Sentiments.

Having in a Former Letter ℔ Sloop Success requested a Parcell of Fanams and Cash to the Amot. of about four thousand Dollars We beg Leave to remind Your Worshipll. &ca. of it as that kind of Money will be very Usefull for Currant Change among the Mallays and for the Reasons Specified therein.

By this Conveyance comes the remainder of the Iron sent out on the Norfolk Viz^{t}. One thousand and thirty Bars which with the Twelve hundred laden On Board the Sloop Success make the whole Quantity of Fifty Tons received here accepting two Bars which were Stolen during its Continuance at Pooloo Bay. And the Persons concerned Still Undiscovered We cannot therefore ascertain the Weight. We are

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Your Most Humble Servants

JOS: HURLOCK.
ISAAK BARBUTT.
JNO. MASSAY.
CHA: SMITH.
HENRY COALES.

FORT MARLBRO
OCTOBER THE 15TH. 1747.

N°. 41

To the Worshipl. Charles Floyer Esqr.
Governour &ca. Council at
Fort St. David.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

When Captain Edward Jacob Commr. of the Princess Augusta, returned to Fort St. George, In the Year 1745 from this Coast, he left a Parcell of Goods in the Hands of Mr.John Cranmer and myself to be disposed of on his Account, and drew up a Letter appointing Us his Attorney's. We accordingly acted as such in the Sale of Part of the said Goods, when upon the News of that Ships being taken by Angria & that Captain Jacob was killed in the Engagement, his Creditors put a Deamand into the Mayors Court at Madrass, and procured an Order of the Said Court, to Attack Captain Jacob's Effects in Our Hands for their Use with Directions to remit the produce from time to time as it Should come in, whether by Bills or otherwise to the said Court. This Order We esteemed ourselves Obliged to obey & in Consequence of it, Adjusted Captain Jacobs Account to the Departure of the Ship Sumatra In July 1746 when by that Conveyance We remitted An Account Sales & Account Current with the Ballance thereof Amounting to Dollars Three Thousand Seven hundred & Thirty Eight One Suca & Fifty Cash.

Part in Gold a Part in Dollars which to my Concern was all lost when the Ship fell in the Enemy's Hands & Enclosed your Worship &ca. will receive an attested Copy of that Bill of Lading.

Upon Captain Jacob's Arrival here this time, he desired me (Mr. Cranmer the other Attorney being returned to Europe) to Settle all Accounts with him, Pay him the Remainder due and return him what Goods were Unsold, but Considering that by Virtue of the aforementioned Order of the Mayors Court, I was Obliged to remit the whole to them, and as I was entirely unadvised by any of his Creditors, in what manner he had Satisfied them, I desired to be excused from complying with his Demand; rather Chusing to obey the said Order for my Own Security, I have therefore now Laden on this Ship Princess Augusta the Sum of Three Thousand Six hundred Ninety five Dollars, Two Sucas, & Ten Cash; which is all the Money and produce of Effects in my Hands excepting a Note from One Timothy Tolley Now at Betavia or elsewhere and another of Adam Syrang, both which amount to Dollars Two hundred fifty & Two Sucas, and I am Apprehensive will be a long time before, or perhaps never recovered. Enclosed Your Worship & will pleased [*sic*] to receive a Bill of Lading for the same, which I am induc'd to trouble you with as the properest Persons since the Mayors Court is no longer in being to the End that the Creditors may be the more fully satisfied, by learning the Distribution of it to Your Worship &ca. Equity It gives me no Small uneasiness, that our Joint Security renders it a Duty incumbent on me to request Your Worship &ca. Cognizance of this Affair at so unsettled a Juncture, when the Honble Company's Affairs ought not to be interrupted by any private Consideration whatever but I am inclined to hope for your Generous Mediation, & I dare say the Creditors cannot but be Satisfied with the Impartial Distribution You may please to Make.

When Captain Jacobs Arrived here I was at my Residency of Tallo from whence I came up wth. the Permission of the Governour & Council, but the Ships Stay was so Short that it was not in my Power to provide the Necessary Papers to Accompany his Remittance, but Shall not fail to remit them with the Declarations I have made of the Risque of an Account of my Proceedings with regard to the Sale of the Goods for the Brillant or first Vessell bound to the Coast.

I have the Honour to remain with the Utmost Respect

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs,

Your most Obedt. Humble Servants

Fort Marlbro
October the 17th. 1747.

Roger Carter.

SHIPPED by the Grace of God in good Order and well Conditioned by Messrs. Roger Carter and John Cranmer Attorneys to Capt. Edward Jacobs in and upon the good Ship called the Sumatra whereof is Master under God for this Present Voyage Charles Milne now riding at Anchor in the Road of Bencoolen and by gods grace bound for the Port of Madrass VIZT. Chest of Bullion containing one thousand Eight hundred Sixty five Dollars One Suca Poizg:

lb.	Oz	dwts.		Oz	dwts
133.	11.	10	and of Gold	138.	17.

Pennyweight on Account and Risque of Capt Edward Jacobs being marked and Numbered as ℔ Margent and are to be delivered in the Like good Order and well Conditioned at the aforesaid Port of Madrass, the dangers of the Seas only accepted unto the Hoñble the Mayors Court of Madrass. IN WITNESS whereof the Master has Signed two Bills of Lading of this Tenour and Date the One of which being Accomplished the other to Stand void, so God Send the good Ship to her desired Port in Safety Dated in Fort Marlbro this 16th. July 1746.

SIGNED CHAS. MILNE.

Registered & Attested to be a true Copy of the Original Bill of Lading.

RICH: GRI[P]TON,

Secy.

THIS IS CERTIFY THAT MR ROGER CARTER hath this Day declared before Us the Worshipll. Joseph Hurlock Esqr. Deputy Governour of FORT MARLBRO &ca. Council that he has consigned on the Ship Princess Augusta Captn. Edward Jacob Commander bound for FORT ST. DAVID the Sum of three thousand Six hundred Ninety five Dollars, two Sucas, and tenn Cash, on Account & Risque of the Creditors of the said Captain Edward Jacob, pursuant to the Orders received from the Mayors Court of Madrass. And that the said Money is Consigned to the Worshipfull the Governour and Council of FORT ST. DAVID, to Answer the said Creditors Demands. DATED in FORT MARLBRO aforesaid this 15th. Day of October 1747. IN WITNESS whereof We have hereunto Sett our hands.

JOSEPH HORLOCK.
ISAAC BARBUT.
JOHN MASSEY.
CHAS. SMITH.
HENRY COALES.
THOS. COMBES.

Registered & Attested.
RICHD. GRIPTON.
Secy.

N°. 42

TO THE WORSHIPL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

We Advised you the 22th. Ultimo by a Dutch Sloop of the Arrival of Our Hoñble Masters Ship Princess Augusta at this Port Duplicate whereof comes Inclosed together with Invoice and Bill of Lading of Timber Plank & Arrack laden On her Amounting to Three Thousand Seven hundred & fifty (3750) Rix Dollars for Account of Our Honble Masters. You will observe by the Account Currant which also comes Inclosed that we have Advanced Captain Lessly, agreeable to his Letter of request One Thousand Spanish Dollars for Repairs and Expences of the Ship, for which he is to Account with You.

We are sorry to advise your Worship &c^{a}. that in sending Off the Plank there has been fifteen lost, (we beleive the most part marked 111) occasioned by a Squal of Wind and a large Swell that came on of a Sudden which Seperated the Raft and drove them from the Ship.

Inclosed is Captain Lessly's receipt to Captain Pelly for tenn Chaldron of Coales & thirty Deals that were designed for Fort S^{t}. George on the Prince of Wales, but when her Passage was altered were omitted to be put on Shore. As We think it for Our Honble Masters Interest they Should be sent to Fort S^{t}. David we have advised Captain Lessly to take them On Board.

We have had everything On board this fortnight except five Timbers which the badness of the Weather prevented our getting Off; the reason of the Ships n[ot] Sailing so soon, has been Occasioned by a request, the General made Captain Lessly to Stay a few days in Expectation of an Advice Boat from Holland with the News of the Prince of Orange being Statholder of the United Provinces the Consequence of which he Apprehends would be their entering into a Warr with France.

Our Honble Masters Ship Brilliant Captain John Byers, & the Fanny Captain Renny arrived here the 16th. Instant from Fort Marlbro.

We have advice from Canton by a Junck lately arrived here that there were twenty Europe Ships in the River as follows. Eight English, Six Dutch, four Sweeds, & two Danes, & that all Sorts of China goods proper for Europe were at a very extravagant Price.

We are

WORSHIP^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. Servants

S: HARRISON.
HENRY PARSONS

BETAVIA
THE 18TH. JANUARY 1747/8.

N^{o}. 43

TO THE WORSHIP^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL AT
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. SIR & SIRS,

I wrote Your Worship &c^{a}. Under date the 7th. Ultimo this incloses Cash Account and Journal Parcels from Pr^{o}. January to Ult^{o} March. I am

WORSHIP^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servants

THOMAS SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
THE 17TH. APRIL 1748.

N^{o}. 44

TO THE WORSHIP^{L}. CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL AT
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. SIR & SIRS,

We wrote you last under the 11th. January, Duplicate whereof was transmitted ℔ Pattamar the 30th. following, when the President Communicated to Admiral Griffin and the Deputy Governour such Advices of Europe as he had a few Days before received from aleppo; Since which your Several Letters of the 16th. January, 15th. & 18th. February have been received, and the Bill you drew On

RUP.
Us for Rupees Seven hundred Eighteen one quarter twenty Six reas (718. 1. 26). In favour of Captain William Gibbs, as mentioned in Yours of the 16th. January, has been duly discharged.

By the Commanders of the Juddah Merchant and Queen of Hungary Bengall Ships lately arriv'd at Surat, we are informed, that on the 5th. February they Spoke at Gallee with the Porto Bello, Prince William and True Briton, who Sailed from England the latter end of August, and were bound to Your Settlement, but order'd to Continue at Gallee till they heard from the Admiral. By those Ships, we may reasonably Conclude you'll be amply Supplied with Treasure, we Shall therefore deferr Sending you any more from hence till we hear further from you.

We are

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

WILLIAM WAKE.
R. RAWDON.
RICHD. SAUNDERS.
GEO : SCOTT.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.

BOMBAY CASTLE
APRIL THE 5TH. 1748.

N°. 45

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Last night our Hoñble Masters Ship True Briton arrived here and brought us Your favour of the 21st. Instant. The Treasure Wares and Stores for this Place, Ingeram and Ganjam are Safely landed, & a few days hence We shall reply fully to the Severall Paragraphs of your Letter, being Unwilling to detain the accompanying Packett Just now come to hand, Which we Suppose is to advise you of the Death of Mr. Forster. We are with great Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedt. Humble Servts.

RICHD. PRINCE.
[ROB. GOODERE.]
[FOSS WESTCOTT.]

VIZIAGAPATAM
[29]TH. APRIL 1748.

N°. 46

TO THE WORSHIPL. CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

We wrote you last under the 5th. Ulto. Duplicate of which is Enclosed. And this you will receive by the Grampus Sloop Bound to Bengall, but purposely ordered to call at your Settlement for any Advices you may have to send thither.

His Majestys Ship's Exeter and Winchester arrived at Tellicherry the 30th. March, and the St. Lewis French Ship being then in Mihie Road they obliged her to run ashoar under the Guns of that fort but She is said to be in so Shatter'd Condition as not to be capable of Repair. The Winchester Imported here the 27th.

Ult°. and is refitting with all expedition, the blowing Weather for Some Days past has been some Impediment She left the Exeter at Tellicherry, whence She was Shortly to Sail for your Coast. We are

WORSHIP^{LL} : SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 4TH. MAY 1748.

WILL : WAKE.
R. RAWDON.
RICH : SAUNDERS.
GEO : SCOTT.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.

N°. 47

Duplicate.

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since our last under the 8th. Ultimo of which the Inclosed is Duplicate, We have received your Honours &c^{a}. Letter of the 5th. D°. and having a Packett from the Commodore and Council of Cochin for the Hoñble the President and Council of Bombay, we now send the same to you requesting your Honour &c^{a}. will immediately forward it to Bombay, as it relates to our keeping a good Corrispondence with the Dutch and to join with them in destroying the Common Enemy, Copy of what the Gentlemen of Cochin have wrote us on that Subject goes enclosed for your Honour &c^{a}. Notice.

The S^{t}. Lewis is still in Mahie Road, and should no Accidents happen to her before the French get a Supply of Cash, we Judge they will endeavour to repair her notwithstanding the doing it may be attended with a large Expence.

The Monsoons set in the 5th. Instant and on the 6th. there was a Violent Storm of Wind at S W. wi[th] a large Sea which dr[o]ve Several small Craft On Shore here; and at Capaut a Dutch Ship loaded with Plan[k] Coir Beetlenutt &c^{a}. bound to your Coast and the Bay met with the same Accident, We likewise hear that a Macaw Ship being at an Anchor Mangaseen was Oblig'd to Cut her Cables and run out to Sea, leaving her Supra Cargoe, Mate and thirty of her Men On Shore, these are al[l] the damages we have as yet heard off.

We Congratulate your Honour &c^{a}. on the late appointment Our Hoñble Masters have been pleased to make at your Settlement & wish you Success both in your Publick and private Affairs. We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servants

P.S. We now enclose your Honour &c^{a}. the Second Bills on the agent Victualler and Storekeeper of his Majestys Squadron.

WILL : WEST.
A[L]EX. DOUGLAS.
JOHN ROBINSON.
THOM^{S}. BENTON.
CHA : WATER.

SECRET CIRCULAR.

TO THE HONBLE WILLIAM WEST COMMODORE AND CHIEF
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE NOBLE ENGLISH COMPANY
AND COUNCIL AT
TELLICHERRY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS & much Esteem'd Friends

The present Constitution of Publick Affairs in Europe and the Ambitious Intention of the French Nation (which tends to nothing else but the Distruction of the Crown of England and Our low Countries and to Over-power all what in any degree is precious to those Confederates) is not Unknown to Your Honour the same did our Illustrous Superiours at Betavia enter into a Resolution to write us on that Subject by their most Respected Letters of the 2d. February Anni Stant is and to all the Western Places of Our Hoñble Company with Recommendations to take heed and to Watch again the Unprovided Invasions and Publick Hostilities of the Said Nation to Endammage them by Force of Arms at Land and at Sea and to Cut off with that Nation all Corrispondence and trading, refusing all Sorts, Off Assistance and Aide Self in things most Indifferen[t] of the World, with Orders to Cultivate with Your Honour as our Friends and Allies the best Corrispondence whic[h] is Necessary for the Benefit of the two Nations assisting your Honour Facto et Consilio much we possibly may and your Honour Should require in Order to Reinforce the Power of Your Honour and to prevent the Blowes, the Common Enemy by his Ill Inclinations should otherwise very indirectly given us whereof he Several times etiam Tempore Pacis the Proves widently made appear in this Parts; and this is the reason we performe the present Letter to Offer Your Honour our humble Services requesting, that it may please Your Honour to let Us know wherein Your Honour can profit of Our good Will and Assistance as well in Seizing the French Ships both of Europe and the Country coming at our Ports or Bays in prevention and Security of ill Consequences, which Assistance and Succours we likewise are expecting of Your Honour and in Case one or more of their Ships come to be Seized by Our power are we to give Notice of it to High Government of India in expectation of their Orders and whereas sometimes any of Our People deserts and runs from here away we make Our request to Your Honour (that Your Honour) instead of taking your Deserters in their Service will be pleased in the Sequel to Send them again to Us Concordantely to the Interest and Alliance we have each with the other.

The enclosed Letter to the Governour and Council of Bombay we pray Your Honour that Speedily may be forwarded at our Cost being in the same Packett important an Letter for the Director & Council at Souratta touching the matters herein Contained.

Herewith Shall we in Expectation of a Soon Answer underwrite us with the Utmost Veneration.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS & much Esteem'd Friends

Your Honour & most humble Servants

COCHIN
MAY THE 15TH. 1748.
A True Copy.

N°. 48

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The enclosed is Duplicate of our last under the 18th. Instant & On the 19th. we received your Honour &ca. Letter of the 2d. Instant and you may be assured we Shall transmitt you frequently all Occurrences worthy Notice that comes to our knowledge.

The 20th. Instant imported from Bombay the Grampus Sloop & on Board her came Robt. Rawdon Esqr. who is appointed Chief of this Settlement.

By the first Proper Conveyance we will Send the Plank.

Your Honour &ca. will receive this by the Grampus Sloop which we have loaded with Pepper and dispatched her to Bengall, but have given the Commander Orders to call at your Settlement for any Advices you may have to transmitt thither. We are

TELLICHERRY
THE 21ST. MAY 1748.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servants

R. RAWDON.
WILLIAM WEST.
"
ALEX: DOUGLAS.
JOHN ROBINSON
THO: BENTON.
CHA: WATER.

N°. 49

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since our last of the 29th. Ultimo (Copy of which comes inclosed) We have acquainted the Merchants with your Honour &ca. Orders relating to the Investment and are Sorry to Advise you that We have but Small Hopes of bringing them to an Abatement in the Prices of the Cloth; by reason that the Dutch have Advanced large Sums of Money in the Country and give a greater Price than has ever been given us by Cloth of a much worse Manufacture, however your Honour &ca. may be assured that nothing shall be wanting on our Parts to get the better of them in this point if possible, but as the Exchange of Madrass Pagodas at Upparra is now 4 and 4¼ Rupees ℔ Pagoda and as the Merchants absolutely refuse to take Rupees at 3½ ℔ Pagoda We can do no Business there 'till your Honour &ca. supplys us with Pagodas or 'till We know at what rate you will permitt Us to Advance the Rupees.

We shall take all the Care We possibly can in the Curing of Our Cloth but without We could get a new Set of Washers which is impracticable at this time We are afraid it will not be in our Power to remedy so effectually as We could wish the Complaints that our Honble Masters have made in their List of Investment nevertheless our best Endeavours shall not be wanting.

Mr. Love has desired us to return Your Honour &ca. Thanks for appointing him Lieutenant of this Garrison, and at present seems rather inclined to Stay here than accept of the Offer you have made him.

We Observe the Orders given by the Gentlemen of Betavia to those at Negapatam & shall be Carefull to keep up a Friendly Corrispondence with the Gentlemen of their Subordinate Settlements in this Neighbourhood.

Our Diarys and Consultations Cash and Paymasters Accounts for the Month's of January February and March come Herewith.

The Rent of Our Farms expiring the last of April they were put up at Publick Outcry the beginning of this Month & brought in at an Advance Price of Rupees 1049. 12. as Your Honour &c. will please to Observe by the following Account The Tobacco & Beetle in 1746 let to Shenam Juggou for 861 now to Jogey for 863 The Pasque Juncam Ditto Ditto 1012 Ditto 1013. The Arrack Duty Ditto to

Coloor Tommia 415. Negawloo 565. The Mearusing [*sic*] Duty Ditto to Latchmodoo 102 Latchmodoo 112. The Oil Duty Ditto to Sheemadree 67 Ankona 68 The Bang Duty Ditto to Verra Mullo 12¼ Verra Mullo 13 The Manilha Duty Ditto to Ramadree 16 Ramadree 16. Waltier Town & Saltpans Ditto to Rangapah 1050 Rangapah 1200 Mulcaporam Town & Salt Pans Dº. to Dº. 600. Tammadoe 1335.

As there was 2 Pipes of Our Honble Masters Madeira Wine that run 25 Gallons less than any of the others and as One of them was return'd from the Princess of Wales on Account of its great Deficiency We have taken the Liberty to deduct 5 Pagodas from the Price of each Pipe Which we hope will not be thought unreasonable.

Having no Pitch or Tarr in the place We request your Honour &cª. will Supply us with the Quantity We indented for under Date the 16th. January or as much thereof as you can Conveniently Spare us, We are with Respect

VIZAGAPATAM
11TH. MAY 1748.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servants
RICHD. PRINCE.
ROB : GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

Nº. 50

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your Honour &cª. favour of the 21st. Ultimo, inclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading for Treasure &cª. ℔ True Britain is come Safe to hand.

I am Sorry to Advise you that Boat Hussein Bux having mett with bad weather is drove to Ballasore where Mr. Henry Kelsall has Unloaded the Chunam you will please to give directions concerning the same.

All due regard will be had to keepin[g] no more Cash here than Necessary which I have Constantly done since the Loss of Madrass, the List of the Investment shall be complied with as near as possible and as much Cloth cur'd as the time will allow off.

I before advised your Honour &cª. that should Madrass Pagodas not be procurable my Merchants would contract for Rupees on the same term, as those at Vizagapatam, but Offering the 20,000 ℔ True Britain Invoiced at 350 ℔ % Madrass they alledge that as the Exchange at St. David is upwards of 340 ℔ % Currant & the Batta On Madrass 11 ℔ Cent there will be a Considerable Loss to, and humbly hope you will please to Consider them.

Having been put to great Expence and trouble, by the want of Broad Cloth for the Annual present that I may avoid the like In future I inclose your Honour &cª. an Indent of Sundries which I must request you will please to Supply me with by any Conveyance before September. I am

INGERAM
MAY 16TH. 1748.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servant
THO : SAUNDERS.

N°. 51

To the Worsh^ll^. Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Worsh : Sir & Sirs

I am much Obliged to you for remembring me always in your Letters to M^r^. Baird, and am now Necessitated to impart to you, all that I ask for the good of the Hoñble Company and my Love to the English Nation.

The Bussoro Ship that is Arrived at Fort S^t^. David was freighted by Coja Menos de Elias, and other Armenian Merchants of my Nation I have likewise a Factor Named Johannes Gregory that is come upon this Ship. She was freighted in Calcutta with these Portugueze and loaded there with Goods for Bussoro. She Sailed for Bussero from Calcutta. When this Vessell Sailed, the Honble Commander was then at Bengall, and then Every Body knew what She was, & where She was going; wherefore why was She not then Condemn'd? This Vessell left Calcutta in a publick manner, and Sailed directly for Bussero w^th^. Portugueze Colours.

This Ship neither came from any of the Enemy's Ports, nor was going into any of them. This is the very Same Ship that left Bengall In the Honble Commodores Sight, and has not been Exchang'd for any other. If She had been Suspicious of anything, She would have gone directly to Bengall, & not come this way, but She Confided in belonging to the English Merchants, and in having departed from One of their Ports.

All her Cargoe belongs to the English Merchants of Calcutta and Madrass, And not only they, but the Moors of Arcott and Bengall, of Bussero and of Persia are concerned in this Ship.

I have been informed, that She is going to be Confiscated by the Honble Commodore. I dont know, nor can I conceive upon what right this is founded, and I am not a little Surprized at it.

You know very well that we Armenian Merchants have been for 60 or 70 Years Inhabitants of Madrass and Calcutta and you may See in the Company's Books what a Vast Sum the Company have got by Us in Customs &c^a^. When you consider these things, and besides this, the Hoñble Company have given a Priviledge to us, which in a few days I will send to you to peruse.

The Honble Company have desired the favour of the King of England, to Send Ships of Warr here to take Satisfaction of their Enemy's, Protect their Settlements, and those that live under them, and to deliver them from their Enemys. Now the Men of Warr, have began to Confiscate the Effects of the English Merchants and Inhabitants which Surprizes me not a little, to think, what Sort of Justice this is. I cant understand it.

We Armenians have Suffer'd great Losses by the Enemy's of the English, but we dont think of all that which is passed; but always ask of God to assist and Strengthen the English, & to See Madrass and the English Flag again restored. This to us will be a great Satisfaction, and in a Short time we Shall gain recover our Losses. As to what we have lost by the Enemy, we have forgot it. But now the Englis Men of Warr, are going to ruin us, and instead of Assisting us begin to destroy us. In this Ship all Nations that are Concerned, will make great Clamours, and there is now a great Noise about it every where. God forbid this loss Should fall upon the Hoñble Company, as it will Occasion a great deal of trouble to all the English Factories. And this will be a very bad Credit to the English Nation.

All that I now write to you, I would not have you imagine, is upon the Account of my being Concern'd in this Ship. Even if I loose as much again, as I have already done, it will be Satisfaction enough for me, to See the English Affairs again restablished. It is my Duty to impart these things to you and your Council, because you are President for the Company. Therefore be pleased to consider of it. Because when the Men of Warr shall have done, they will go home, and you will

Stay, to act for the Hoñble Company. Therefore it is better to prevent in time what may happen in future. Don't Imagine this is good Success for y^e^. Men of Warr, but take care that the Company may not Suffer for it in time to come.

You may remember that my Lord Northesk took a Ship which belonged to the French, called the Chardinagor, with french Colours, and brought her to Calcutta, upon which She Shew'd Moors Colours. She had upward of Lack of Rup^s^. The Nabob Sent to demand that Ship with her Cargoe, and there was a great Noise about it. The Company's Agents at Calcutta were Obliged to give my Lord Nor-
Rup.
thesk (50,000) Rupees, on the Company's Account. They freed the Ship and Cargoe, and put her in the Moors hands.

Thus it happened in regard to that Ship. You must Consider that there will be a great Noise about this Ship, on all hands. Consider, and take care that the Company dont Suffer, because the Hoñble Companys Order is, that all their Factories in Indie keep a Strict friendship with the Lords of the Country, and that with great Policy too, and that they must not be disputed with, because all the Companys contract is within Land, and that must not be impeded. I am a Son and a friend of the Company's, and it is more than 40 Years Since I have been in Madrass, Under the English Flag. It is my Obligation to Acquaint you of this and your Council, for which reason do not take amiss the Liberty.

Likewise I beg the Favour of a Speedy Answer, and your Sentiment of the Case because I design to write, by the way of Persia to the Honble Company In England and to the Admiralty and if Need be to the King himself. And will prove by the General Consent of the Protentates in India, & the King of Persia that the said Ship is not a lawfull Prize. I am with all Submission,

PULLICATT — WORSH : SIR & SIRS

JUNE THE 4TH. 1748. — Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servant

PETRUS HUSCAN.

N°. 52

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^A^. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^T^. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your two Letters of the 4^th^. Ultimo & 6^th^. Instant with great pleasure we heard of the safe arrival of our Honourable Masters Ships Porto Bello, Prince William, & True Briton with you, and it wou'd be a great Addition to hear that Admiral Boscawen with the reinforcement were also arrived. As the Kent was got safe to the Cape and the Marlbro and the Salisbury gon safe round we hope they will arrive safe in great Britain and that the Lapwing has done the same.

Give us leave to Congratulate you Gent: on our Hoñble Masters favour of making Fort S^t^. David the Presidency, and Confirming you in your Posts, and Major Stringer Lawrence in his seat at your board.

The 8^th^. Instant we recd a Letter from the Commodore & Council at Cochin much to the same purport as that you recd from the Governour &c^a^. of Negepatam which we answer'd in the same Manner.

We are glad to hear that the Exeter is safe returned. The last Advices we had from Tellicherry say that the S^t^. Louis lies a Shore at Mahie, and that a hard Gale of Wind which came on the 4^th^. Instant did great Damage On this Coast half filled her with water which we hope has rendered her incapable of ever being repaired, It is reported that a Dutch Ship from Cochin & Moor Ship belonging to Cannanore were lost in that Gale. and a Vast number of Country Vessells. A New Sloop of

Our Hoñble Masters and a small Schooner belonging to this Place both lost the former lost five men, two of them Europeans, the latter had the good fortune to Save all her People.

We are

ANJENGO — HONBLE SIR & SIRS

THE 26TH. MAY 1748. — Your most Obedt. Humble Servts.

P.S. Please to forward the Accompanying Packett to the Prest. & Council at Bombay by the first Opportunity.

RICHD. BOURCHIER.
THOS. PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.
WILL. HORNBY.

N°. 53

TO THE WORSH: CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT ST. DAVID.

WOSSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS,

By Ship Fanny who arrived here the 12th. November and by our Hoñble Masters Snow Brilliant whose arrival was on the 23d. of the same month We have been favoured with yours under Date of the 19th. August and 5th. October to both of which we shall now reply.

As to our Fortifications We are doing the utmost in our Power with the few hands We have got to compleat them in the best manner, possible, for the Defence of Ourselves and Our Hoñble Masters Settlement.

The Grantham of whose Arrival We Advised You by the Princess Augusta has received on board her Charterparty Tonnage, inclusive of the Bales sent us from the Coast on Account of the Hoñble Company, Captain Wilson having Petitioned us for One hundred Tons Surplus Pepper, We have granted his request upon the Usual Conditions of half Freight, and shall be able to dispatch the said Ship in a few days without incurring any Demorage.

Agreeable to your Worship &ca. Permission We have granted Certificates to the Attorney's of Robert Lennox Esqr. payable to himself or Order for the Sum of ℔ 4500 Four thousand five hundred Spanish Dollars paid into the Honble Companys Cash here.

We are entirely of Oppinion that the sending of a Person properly Qualified to Reside at Betavia during the present uncertain Situation of Affairs in India, will be greatly conducive to the Interest of Our Hoñble Masters, and have in consequence thereof appointed Mr. Thomas Combes our Youngest in Council to that Station, with Orders to transmitt by every safe Confeyance the most early Intelligence as to the Motions of the Enemy both to the Coast and our own Settlement, And as Mr: Combes does not at present enjoy the most perfect State of Health, We hope that the Change of Air will greatly contribute to the Establishment thereof.

The Fanams you were pleased to send us, not proving of a proper Sort, We have now returned them according to your Order, and have enclosed You a Muster of the sort We request you to send us by the first Conveyance /Vizt./ to the amount of about Six or Eight Thousand Dollars with the Fanams /of which four hundred makes a Dollar/ to the amount of four or five hundred Dollars.

We further desire You would send us Thirty Bales Long Cloth White, and Ten Corage Combay's Blue for the Use of the Slaves.

The Reverend Mr. Ryder left this place the 18th. October and took his Passage on the Princess Augusta who Sailed the same Day for Betavia.

Mr. Charles Hampton is safely Arrived and Ordered to take his Standing upon this Establishment.

We have been carefull to Observe your Directions as to the Payment of Customs for Goods sold by Captain Rannie, for the Consumption of this and all other Places within the Jurisdiction of the Honourable Company.

The Salt which Captain Rannie had on board for Account of his Owners We have Purchased at the rate of $ 25 Twenty five Spanish Dollars ℔ Coyan.

Your Worship &ca. will receive this Letter by our Hoñble Masters Snow Brillant on board of which Vessell We have loaded the Fanams abovementioned together with four Chests of Opium /as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed/ sent us by the Govr. and Council of Fort William, by the Fanny, its proving so extreamly bad, and the Farmer of that Commodity absolutely refusing to take it. We are Oblig'd to return it by this Conveyance; As We had some Remaining upon the Place of a good sort the Farmer chose rather to take it at an Advanc'd Price. Otherways the Honourable Company would have been in danger of losing that deliver'd him here for the Use of the Brillant.

At Captain Byer's request We have advanced him $ 300 Three hundred Spanish Dollars for which he is to be accountable to Your Worship &ca. as ℔ enclosed receipt, You will also receive Our Storekeepers Account of Necessarys deliver'd him here for the Use of the Brillant.

We have nothing further to Add at Present, but to assure You that We are with the greatest Esteem.

Fort Marlbro.
the 3d. Jan: 1747/8.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants

Joseph Hurlock.
Isaac Barbut.
John Massay.
Chas. Smith.
Henry Coales.
Tho: Combes.

N°. 54

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.
Governour &c. Council at
Fort St. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

According to my instructions I made the best of my way to the Island off the Sumatra Coast in order to go through between the Island Nantian & Fortune the better to fall in to the Norward of Paddong But meeting with Calms and a Strong So.ly Currant prevented my so doing I can safely say I had not Wind enough to make the Ship go one Knott except in Squals from my making Nantian till came as far to the So.d as Nassaw. Which Channel I came through between it & Metercief All this time I had no Wind but drove as the Current sett me I Once came to an Anchor in 26, Feet fathom off of the Nassaw Island & found the Current sett S.E.tSo: 4 Knotts by our Logg with which Weigh'd and having some favourable Squal's got in Shore and in Sight of Bencoolen Flag where I made my proper Signal wch. was Answered by the Fort and Captain Wilson's Ship then in the Road, I arrived here September the 27th. the reason of meeting with Calm's & so much Rain was my Sailing too Soon from Fort St. David having the Sun near Our Zenith all the way or when came near the line. The Morning after I left Fort St. David I saw a Ship to leward bearing about NNEt. we then going SEt. Wind at S.Wo. fresh I immediately hall'd Close on a Wind and out Reifs for so I was going before, I saw the Ship at Noon but at a greater distance And by 3 PM was out of Sight from Mast head when Night alter'd my Coarse More Et. (& so got from her, for, I am certain she gave

me Chace my carrying so much Sail Sprung Our Main Top Mast another of which I got here of Captain Wilson for which paid him 40 Dollars. the Ship we Saw I conjecter'd might be the Princess Amelia but whether or no I cant say. I have receiv'd the Chest of Treasure according to Instructions likewise the 800 Dollars 6 of which is 2 Months Imprest Ours being out the last of September the remaining 200 to defray Charges &c^{a}. Expences at Batavia Our Bales all turned out right and well Conditioned and was put On board Captain Wilson in the Road who Sail'd for Mocho Mocho the 8th. Instant I have just received my dispatches from the Governour & Council here in Order to proceed to Betavia where I shall with the greatest diligence transact my Commission with the least Expence to the Honourable Company if possible and beg your Honour will beleive that I shall make all dispatch as possible, and with great regard follow all Orders mentioned in my dispatches and that I am With great Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. humble Servant
EDWARD JACOB.

FORT MARLBRO
OCTOBER Y^{E}. 17TH. 1747.

N°. 55

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL AT
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We Dispatched these Pattamars Express to your Honour &c^{a}. with the accompanying Packett for the Hoñble President & Council of Bombay desiring that on its Arrival you will immediately forward it to them by some of your Pattamars keeping those we now send to you for any Advices you may have to transmitt us.

The S^{t}. Lewis Still lays in Mahie road, but it is our Oppinion she will never be able to put to Sea, as the Monsoons hitherto has greatly Damaged her, having Started two Plank near the Keel and She is so much Sunk in the Mudd that the Sea washes over her both a head & a Midship, and by the Account we have She is continually full of Water.

We learn that the Ship S^{t}. Antonis Alma Santa Antonio Caiton Decampo Commander coming out of Goa, was lost in the Storm last Month and drove a Shore near the Alguada few of her Crew being Saved.

A Ship under Armenian Colours called the Mombarrack mosul Rich^{d}. Tinly Comm^{r}. which lost her Passage to Bussorah, winter'd at Cochin and from thence will proceed early in the Season for Bussorah, and as we learn the said Tinly has for many Years past Sailed always In the French Service, and being married to the late Director of Charnigurs Sister, we therefore are Apprehensive that the said Ship may belong to the common Enemy, & desire you will communicate the same to the Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Squadron, as likewise the Letter we received from the Commodore and Council of Cochin Copy of which we transmitted your Honour &c^{a}. the 18th. Ult^{o}. as we now do Copy of our Answer to them. We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
R. RAWDON.
THO: BYFIELD.
ALEX: DOUGLAS.
JOHN ROBINSON.
THO: BENTON.
CHA: WATERS.

TELLICHERRY
THE 6TH. JUNE 1748.

To the Honble Conyn Estevens Esq^R.
Commodore for Affairs of the
Noble Netherland Company
&c^A. Council of Cochin.

Honble Sir & Sirs & much Esteemed Friends

We are now to acknowledge the receipt of your friendly Letter to us bearing date the 15^th: Instant NS & to return you our particular thanks for the agreeable notice you gave us, of the resolution taken by your Ilustrious Superiors to act offensively against the French Nation, whose destructive Schemes to disturbe the tranquility of Europe, and Ambitious Views in the low Country's, has too glaringly appeared ever since the present Warr commenced, and which our Royal Sovereign took the most earliest methods to Subvert and frustrate, and has most graciously been pleased to order a large number of his land and Sea Forces into these parts to Suppress and prevent any depredations being made In India we shall therefore punctually communicate to his Commander in Chief the Contents of your Letter, as we have Already done, our Superiors at Bombay, whose answer we Shortly expect & shall then acquaint your Honour &c^a. how far we can comply on our parts with the Contents thereof.

By a Sloop lately arrived from Bombay we are Acquainted, that a french Squadron escorting a large Fleet of Merchants Ships to the West Indies, was on the 14^th. October attack'd in 47^d. 49^n N^o. Lattitude from Cape Finister 1^d 12^m West, by his Majestys Ships under the Command Rear Admiral Howke, who after a resolute and bold resistance, Oblig'd the Six Capital Ships to Strike Viz^t.

Le Monarque	.. ..	74 Guns.
Le Terrible	.. ..	74 D^o.
Le Neptune	.. ..	70 D^o.
Le Tredent	.. ..	64 D .
Le Fougeawx	.. ..	64 D^o.
Le Severne	.. ..	50 D .

which we hear has proved a terrible blow to the French Naval Force, & we do not doubt, but will be agreeable News to your Honour &c^a.

We Shall be sure to keep you constantly advised of all occurrences that come to our knowledge touching the French proceedings & Shall for the present beg leave to conclude ourselves with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs & much Esteemed Friends

Tellicherry
the 24^th. May 1748.

Your Honour &c^a. most humble Servant[s]

Robert Rawdon.
Thomas Byfield.
Alex: Douglas.
John Robinson.
Tho: Benton.
Cha: Waters.

A True Copy
Rich^D. Secker.

N°. 56

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort St. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am Obliged by your Honour &ca. favour of the 21th. April, enclosing Invoice Ten Thousand Rupees and a Chest of Stationary Ware, sent by True Briton to Vizagapatam; I some time since wrote Mr. Prince, if any Money came to his hands for the Use of this place, to forward me some immediately that I might lose no time in going on with my Investment; which he complied with, but hearing soon after that the Nabob was coming this way (a thing very unexpected at this Season of the Year) and not knowing how his affairs may go on in these parts, I kept only Two Thousand Rupees, and sent the rest back again. till I am Satisfied I can employ it with Security, I know I lose a very good Opportunity of making Cloth Cotton, and Grain being Cheap, but the Severe treatment, I met wth. from the late Nabob, will ever make me Cautious, how I proceed, while the Nabob, and Rajahs, are at Variance.

I from time to time acquainted the President of Fort St. George, with the troubles that Subsisted here, in the Months of May, June & July 1746 and the Consequences of them, Mr. Hinde likewise was afterwards made acquainted with the Usage, I had received from the Nabob, and the Money that was forced from me, but that your Honour &ca. may have a clearer light into the Affair, I have requested Mr. Morse to lay before you Copys of what I have wrote him on this Subject.

Though I cannot Charge my self, with contributing any way to the loss of this Money, or omitting any possible means for the recovery of it, yet it gives me the greatest concern, such an Accident should happen at this place, so soon after its Settlement however, I am not without my hopes, that a good part of it, may yet be recover'd.

It is strongly reported within these few days, that this Nabob is going away, and will be Succeeded by a Grandson of AnaWardee Cawn, which will prove a happy Exchange for the Country; so soon as I see things rightly Settled that I can go on wth. an Investment with any tolerable Security, I shall lose no time in doing it, conformable to your Instructions.

Your Honour &ca. are pleased to Order me to cure what Cloth I can, which I should have done before had it been practicable, but here are no Washers, and if there were, here is no Water, without making a Tank On purpose. I am with the greates[t] Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. & most Obliged
humble Servant
John Andrews.

Ganjam
the 17th. May 1748.

N°. 57

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This accompany's Duplicate of my last, I am now ballanceing my Books and shall be oblig'd to your Honour &c^a^. for your Account Curr^t^. with this Factory to Ultimo April 1748. Cloth on hand as underwritten I am

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obed^t^. Humble Serv^t^.

Ingeram

the 18^th^. June 1748.

Tho^s^. Saunders.

Long Cloth Ordinary	75.
Fine	40.
Salampores Ord^y^.	15.
Izz^s^. Superfine	4.

N°. 58

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This serves to Cover your Honour &c^a^. Duplicate of mine of the 16^th^. May, and the Journal Parcells, and Cash Accounts of this Place for the Months of March, April, & May. I am with the greatest Esteem.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obed^t^. & most Oblig'd
Humble Servant
John Andrews.

Ganjam

the 3^d^. June 1748.

N°. 59

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

At M^r^. Bairds desire this is to acquaint Your Honours &c^a^. that In the Space of Twenty Days time from the Date of this Letter, I shall Sett out from this place with my Accompts for Fort S^t^. David after settling my Affairs here. I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obed^t^. & most Obliged
Humble Servant
Suncha Rama.

Pullicatt

the 10^th^. July 1748.

N°. 60

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Enclosed is Duplicate of our last since when Nothing of Importance has happen'd here, only we have an Account of an Army of Moors, w^ch^. are Encamped on this Side Trinnivelly, who they say only wait to be reinforced and for fair Weather to Attack y^e^. King of Travencore who has made great preparations to receive them.

Herewith you will receive a Packett for the President and Council at Bombay which we desire may be forwarded without delay.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

Anjengo

the 21^th^. June 1748.

Rp. Bourchier, &c.
Council.

N°. 61

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote you last under the 4^th^. Ins^t^. ℔ Grampus Sloop, Duplicate of which is enclosed, & on the 15^th^. following received your Honour &c^t^. favour of the 8^th^. of April last and this Serves purposely to give Cover to a Packet for the Hoñble Company which we desire you will forward by the first Opportunity. We are

Honble Sir and Sirs

Your Most Humble Servants

Bombay Castle

the 26^th^. May 1748.

Will: Wake.
Geo: Scott.
J. Sewell.
T. Dorrill.

N°. 62

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your favour dated the 12^th^. Ultimo we received the 27^th^. as we did on the 5^th^. Instant its Dup. with your Original of the 21^st^.

We are to return your Honour &c^t^. our particular thanks for the Speedy Dispatch our Packet to Bombay met with, and for the Advices you are pleased to give us in respect to the French Fleet Escaping M^r^. Griffins Squadron, and Landing the Treasure and Military at Madrass we are truly concerned at but rejoice to hear of the defeat they met w^th^. by your forces, so timely sent to Cuddalore, on which we beg leave to Congratulate your Honour &c^t^. At Mahie the French remain very quiet, and do not as we hear make any provision there, as if they expect a Fleet. by which we imagine, those you mention are detained to another quarter, however

we esteem it our duty to make the best preparation we can for our defence, and are therefore cultivating the Strictest friendship possible with all the Country powers round us, with whom we are at present on peaceable Terms.

What you are pleased to mention in respect to the Sandel Wood, We shall pay due regard to, concerning which our Chief and Second, will write Governour Floyer privately in a day or two to whom we beg leave to referr you.

Mahimed Cawn having been at an Expence of Rupees One hundred twenty Rup.
One (121) for traveling Charges on Account himself & People, he wrote the late provisinional [*sic*] Chief in Respect thereto; agreeable to which, we have paid that Sum to his Attorney's here and Debted y^r. Presidency for the same.

We Shall be sure to keep you Constantly Advised of the Enemy's Motions in these parts and request the same from you, to prevent any unforeseen accident happening to our Honble Masters Affairs, in which we wish you Success, being

HONBLE SIR and SIRS

Your most humble Servants

R. RAWDON.
T. BYFIELD.
JN^O. ROBINSON.
T. BENTON.
C. WATERS.

TELLICHERRY

THE 10 JULY 1748.

N^O. 63

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^A. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^T. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received the Answer you have been pleased to give to my Letter concerning the Bussorah Ship and as I am now Sensible from it, That its Affair is entirely foreign to your Province, & that nothing can be done with regard to it, in this Part of the World, I have now only, to desire the favour of your Honours that you will be pleased to represent it, to England, and lay it, before the Court of Directors, as I have already done, with Copies of all my Letters, & their Answers thereunto which Admiral Griffin & your Honours have given, that the World may See on which Side, is the more Justice. I beg leave Once more, to Assure Your Honours, that my interesting myself in this Affair, does not proceed from any private View's, tho my Concerns in that Ship are considerable, but a sincere Regard, for the Credit, and Interest of the English Nation and of the Honble Company.

I hope your Honours will be pleased to entertain this favourable Oppinion of me, begging at the same time the Liberty to recommend to your favours, Minas de Elias and Johannes Gregory two very Honest Men, and to look upon me, as

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t. & most Humble Serv^ts.

PETRUS HUSCAN.

PULLICAT

THE 15^TH. JULY 1748.

N°. 64

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By our Honble Masters Ship Oxford which imported here the 29^th^. Ultimo in her way to Betavia We received Your Honour &c^a^. favour under date of the 13^th^. February as also the Several Articles You were pleased to Send for the use of Our Settlement, all of which turn'd out agreeable to Invoice.

Conformable to Your Honour &c^a^. request We have Laden On Board this Ship two Chests Treasure as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading, towards purchasing a returning Cargoe, This was realy the utmost We could do, for upon Examination We find the Ballance of Cash will Scarcely be Sufficient to Supply the Current Expences of this Place untill the Arrival of Our Storeship supposing her to be with Us in Due time, and in case any Accident Should protract her Passage, the Consequence may prove very prejuducial [*sic*] to the Interest of Our Honble Masters, more Especially to their Honours investments of Pepper.

We are very Sorry for the Loss of the Sloop Success, and the more so as She would have been of great Use to the Honble Company on many Occasions upon this Coast, having but one Sloop at present that the [*sic*] can Employ. M^r^. Combes has our Orders to purchase a Vessell at Betavia proper for the Service of this place &c^a^. but as Yet he has not been able to procure One. To hear that the late Designs of the French against your Honour &c. Settlement have been frustrated, & Commodore Griffins Squadron reinforced, together with y^e^. Arrival of Several of Our Honble Masters Ships upon the Coast affords Us the greatest Satisfaction imaginable, & We hope that whatever attempts the french may think proper to make against any of the Honourable Companys Settlement in India will prove Abortive.

We think ourselves much oblig'd to Your Honour &c^a^. for transmitting us so particular an Account of the Defeat of a French Squadron in Europe by Admiral Anson; A Squadron destined not only to Disturb the Tranquility of our Peace, but also Intended to give a Total over throw to the commerce of our Honourable Employers in India, As they have been very Seasonably met with, and the Execution of their Pernicious Designs against Us prevented, there is great Reason for Us to hope We shall meet with no further Disturbance from that Quarter.

On the 3^d^. Current Arrived in our Road the Sloop Friendship from Betavia, which M^r^. Combes has Dispatched hither with a Small Supply of Rice and Arrack, by the Sloop We received a farther conformation of the good News Your Honour &c^a^. were pleased to send us together with the Addition of some other Advices, which we have herein taken the Liberty to transmitt for Your Perusal.

M^r^. Combes in his Letter by the above mentioned Sloop tells us, that upon his Arrival at Betavia he found there The Princess Augusta and was immediately informed that Capt. Jacob was Dead & that the Officers on Board had in General a very Indifferent Character, whereupon he proposed and prevailed with Captain Lessly to resign the Comm^d^. the Princess Augusta to Captain Byers and to take Charge of the Brillant Persuant to this Proposition the two Captains agreed to Exchange Ships, but Capt. Lessly being soon after otherwise Advised instead of putting it in execution went on Board and Sailed away but meeting with Contrary Winds, and things being ill conducted, they were Obliged to put back on the 13^th^. February having been out about Twenty Days, and had Lost an Anchor and Cable M^r^. Combes procured them another Anchor and Cable and a Coyan of Rice, & moreover desired Captain Byers to Stay a few Days and take them in Company with him, he wrote also to Captain Lessly desiring him to keep in Company with the Brillant and to follow all such Order's or Directions as he might receive from Captain Byers; they both sailed from Betavia the 3^d^. Ult^o^. and We hope by this time are arrived in Safety.

The 21^st^. January Arrived at Betavia The Honble Company's Snow the Swallow, Captain Norton Hutchinson who left Portsmouth the 6^th^. August last in Company with the True Britton Prince William and Porto Bello Indiamen bound to the Coast, they all put into the Cape which they Left the 17^th^. November last.

Captain Hutchinson deliver'd Mr. Combes a Letter Directed to us from the Honble Court of Directors Signifying that on Fort St. George's being taken by the French they deem their late Servants there as no longer in their Service, and thereupon have constituted Fort St. David their Head Settlement for transacting all their Affairs on the Choromandell and Sumatra Coast: to this order of Our Honble Masters We shall be carefull to pay all Due Obedience.

By Mr. Combe's Letter We are told that Warr was not yet Declared between the french & Dutch, Notwithstanding which the former had proceed'd to the Seige of Bergen op Zoorm in Zeland, which was so bravely Defended that they had not been able to make themselves Masters of One Single out work the Dutch at Betavia seem to think that the French Squadron defeated by Admiral Anson was designed against the Cape or their Place. All our China Men are passed the Streights for Europe, and a Squadron of 3 or 4 Dutch Ships are very Speedily excepted [*sic*] In the Streights of Sunda. It is said that on Board the French fleet taken by Admiral Anson was found Twenty Waggon Loads of Silver, and that the French compute their Loss at one and half Million Sterling.

By an advice Boat from Ceylon which left that Place the latter End of January last, Mr. Combes says he had received Advice that the Apollo and Anglesea had left Bombay and were gon to Mocha.

Mr. Combes Acquaints Us that Agreeable to our Orders, He has wrote to Your Honour &ca. by Every Opportunity and once to Commodore Griffin, informing of Every Material peice of News that came to his hands. By a Private Letter from Mr. Combes We are Informed yt. sometime agoe Captain Monro was Cut Off at Johore.

The beginning last January Captain David Rannie of the Ship Fanny enter'd into a Contract with us to go to Betavia and bring a Supply of Sixty Leaguers Arrack and Sixty Coyan of Rice promising to be back by the 1st. of this present Month, but soon after his Arrival at Betavia having some other Voyage, We presume, proposed to him which he thought more Advantageous, He told Mr. Combes that it was not consistant with his owners Interest or his own to return to Marlbro; that the Contract was binding only on our Parts and that he thought himself at free Liberty to return or not, as it Suited best with his Interest, Whereupon Mr. Combes wth. great Reason protested against the said Captain David Rannie, his owners &ca. for all Costs and Damages wch. the Honourable Company may Suffer by the Nonperformance of his Contract. By this Extraordinary Proceeding of Captain Rannie's We are greatly Disapointed of the Supplies We Expected, and unless Mr. Combes dispatches another Vessell very Speedily our Settlement will be much distressed by the want of Arrack and other Necessaries.

On the 25th. November last Captain Rannie presented Us a Bill of Charges for the Passage of Twenty two Lascars from Bengal amounting to ℔ 486. 3. 20 Four hundred Eighty Six Spanish Dollars Three Succars and Twenty Cash which We think a very unreasonable demand, especially when we Consider the Service the Lascars are of to a Commander in the working his Ship During their Passage: As We have had no convenient Opportunity of representing this Affair to the President and Council of Fort William We have taken the Liberty by this Conveyance of Mentioning it to your Honour &ca. to the Intent that if in future any Lascars should be sent from your Coast to this, You would be pleased to regulate the Pay for their Passage in such a manner, as to prevent Our Honble Masters being impos'd upon by any Commander hereafter.

The four French Desertors Your Honour &ca. sent us on the Oxford We have incorporated with our Military.

As to the four felons We have recd. them also, and heartily wish Your Honour &ca. could find out a more convenient place of excile for these Sort of Criminals, for they are not only extreemly Troublesome in so Small a Settlement as this is, but also very Instrumental in Causing others, Which before were tolerably good, to be as bad, or worse than themselves.

Enclosed Your Honour &ca. will receive Captain Thomas Stevens Receipt for the two Chests of Treasure abovementioned As also for an Anchor which we have

Spared him Poizg. 32 Thirty two hundred Weight Valued at $ 192 One hundred Ninety Two Spanish Dollars Under Cover you will also receive Duplicates of our Letters ℔ Princess Augusta and Brillant.

We request Your Honour &ca. would be pleased to Send us by the first Conveyance for the Use of this Settlement, Hospital Clothes, 100 one hundred Suits Betillas for Colours four Coarge White, four Coarge of Blue and four Coarge of Red.

The Secretary having paid into the Honourable Company's Cash here the Sum of $ 29. 1 Twenty Nine Spanish Dollars & One Succa We have granted Certificates upon Your Honour &ca. for the same in favour of the Reverend Mr. Francis Fordice which We request you would be pleased to Honour. We are with great Esteem.

HONOURABLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedt. humble Servants

FORT MARLBRO

THE 10TH. APRIL, 1748.

JOSEPH HURLOCK.
JOHN MASSAY.
ROBT. DUNCKLEY.
CHA: SMITH.
HENRY COALES.
LEN: BONNET.

ENGLISH SHIPS AT THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE UNDER THE COMMAND OF ADMIRAL BOSCAWEN.

KING'S SHIPS.

			Guns.	Men.	
Namur	Cap. Marshall		74	715	
Debtford	Lake		60	400	
Vigilant	Liste		64	480	
Pembrooke	Finsher		60	400	
Chester	Spry		50	350	
Ruby	Night		50	350	
Deal Castle	Loyde		20	160	
Swallow	Rougier		,,	,,	
Basilick—Bombay Gally ..	Preston		8	60	
Apollo—Hosptal Ship ..	Wilson		14	120	
Porto Bello }	Iricson		4	20	
Young Eagle } Grovn. Ships	Quallet.		16	50	
				——	3105

COMPANY'S SHIPS.

Dorrington	Capt Crab	28	99		
Delawarr	Stevens	26	185		
Edgbaston	Hereford	34	229		
Chesterfield	Carter	34	245		
Adml. Vernon	Cooke	34	241		
Rhoda	Mc. Namar	34	249		
Royal Duke	Cuming	40	249		
Lincoln	Nanfan	36	240		
Edgcote	Pearse	34	250		
Elizabeth	Lawrence	34	240		
Fort St. George	Bracey	34	241		
Royal George	Field	30	229		
[. . .]	[. . .]	30	99		
			——	2795 [*sic*]	
		Total ..		5900	

N°. 65

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
Presid^t^. & Gov^R^. &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

The inclosed are no more than the Invoice, Bills of Lading and Some other Papers, Relating to my Transactions at this place, which I judge absolutely Necessary, (in Case of any Accident happening to me) to Send your Honours. It has been with the greatest Difficulty, I have been able to Comply even thus far, with the Orders I Received from your Honble Board, and Notwithstanding the Utmost care has been taken to procure the Best Casks, I am Still under much uneasiness Least they prove bad I am now Preparing to Sail and am

Ship Oxford In Betavia Road — Honble Sir & Sirs

July the 15^th^. 1748. — Your most Obed^t^. & most humble Servant

Tho^s^. Stevens.

N°. 66

To the Hon̄ble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President and Governour &c^t^. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last was under Date the 26^th^. of May enclosing a Packet directed to the Honble Company, and on the 25^th^. Ultimo we received yours of the 24^th^. of May w^th^. Duplicate under the 6^th^. of said Month likewise on the 4^th^. Instant came to hand your Advices of the 1^st^. of last Month with a Packet from S^t^. Helena enclosed.

Agreeable to Governour Floyer's Request in a private Letter to the President, we now send on this Ship Winchester some Shells Horse Furniture &c^t^. Amounting to Rupees four thousand five hundred & Eighty & forty five Reas as ℔ Invoice and Receipts enclosed and would have sent more Shells as also eleven Bags of Mustard Seed but they could not be Conveniently taken on board and therefore shall be sent you by the Sloop now near finished for Bengall. And Admiral Griffin having, in like manner, wrote for One hundred Barrels of Gunpowder for his Majesty's Service we have also laden that Quantity on board her for the Amount of which being Rupees three thousand and four and forty Nine Reas the President has drawn three Bills of the same Tenour and Date in your Favour on the Admiral his first Bill of which with Letter of Advice accompanies this. And Lord Thomas Bertie Commander of Said Ship having given us Bills for Rupees twelve thousand Six hundred sixty eight & eighty six Reas Advanced him here for his Majestys Service On the followings Persons viz^t^.

			qr.	Reas
One Sett of three Bills on Mr. William Robinson Storekeeper to his Majesty's Ships & Vessells in the East Indies .. .. Rupees ..	7550	3	67
One d°. d°. on Mr. John Haman Agent for Victualling his Majestys Ships & Vessells In the East Indies	5117	1	19

we herewith transmitt his first Bills for the same which your Honour &c^t^. will please to receive with the Other Bill and give this Presidency Credit Accordingly.

Coja Shawmere Son of Coja Sultan David coming lately to this Place and having Passed under the 15^th^. Instant to us three Bonds of the same Tenour and Date obliging himself to pay unto your Honour &c^t^. the Sum of Rupees eight thousand five hundred & eighty one Quarter & thirty Six Reas within Sixty Days from the said date being the Ballance of an Account & to which three Bonds Captain Barton

has Signed as Security And as Said Shawmere takes passage On this Ship we herewith enclose one of said Bonds which when duely recovered your Honour &c^{t}. will plea[se] to deliver up And in case Sultan David under his hand agrees that the Sum of Rupees Twenty thousand by us attached in the Hands of the President shall be paid on Account of the Spahaun Bills undermentioned and Orders it accordingly then your Honour &c^{t}. will please to deliver up our enclosed Release or discharge for the whole Debt together with the Original Bills also enclosed But should he be for Contesting the Attatchment than you'll please only to endorse on said Bills the Amount of Said Shawmeres and Captain Bartons Bond as so much received in part of the Debt contracted by Anam the Wife of Coja Sultan David by the Purchase of Sundry Goods &c. from Mess^{rs}. Savage and Peirson Agents for the Honble Company at Spahaun and for which the said Anam drew those Bills of Exchange on her said Husband w^{ch}. Bills were pretested for none Acceptance and are not yet discharged.

We have received from our Land Paymaster Rupees One hundred & twenty four the Ballance of four Sepoy's pay which your Honour &c^{t}. will make good to them agreeable to their respective Account Current enclosed and the Months Pay you have advanced the Sepoy's shall be Stopped here from their Familys In the manner they requested. The Family's of Phicknock, Sunthnock and Padrock deceased regularly received their Pay Every Month as has also the Family sead Mullick from whom therefore be pleased to recover what has been advanced him.

The Sloop that Governour Floyer has desired in a private Letter to the President to be built for the Service of your Settlement will shortly be set about and when finished dispatched to your Honour &c^{t}.

The Honble Company being in want of twenty eight Barrs of Iron poiz twelve hundred weight one quarter & Sixteen Pounds, also four Bolts of Europe Canvas and five Pound of D^{o}. Twine Lord Thomas Bertie Spared us those Articles out of Ship Winchester the Price of which at his desire, is left to be adjusted and paid by your Honour &c^{t}. and for which you will accordingly debt the Presidency.

The President advised Coja Sultan David under the 29th. of May of our having attach'd the Money above mentioned Duplicate whereof comes herewith which when your Honour &c^{t}. have perused, you will please to Send him.

We have delivered to this Ship 402 Sheathing Planks, One Borell thick q^{t}: 1850 Covits twenty two Rupees two quarters ℔ One hundred Covits amounting to Rupees four hundred & sixteen & one quarter, for which Lord Thomas Bertie can only Order his Carpenter to pass his Receipt, which goes enclosed. Your Honour &c^{t}. will please therefore, to receive the said Amount of the Admiral, on the Plank, Advising us Accordingly.

We desire your Honour &c^{t}. would transmit us as often as you write a List of such Persons belonging to this Place, as would have their half Pay made good to their Families here, Otherwise we are liable to pay their said Families at this Place after the time such Persons may be dead or deserted your Service. We have made no Payments, on this Account, since the 30th. Ultimo. We are

HONBLE SIR and SIRS

Your most Humble Servants

WILL: WAKE.
GEO: SCOTT.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.

BOMBAY CASTLE
JULY THE 22TH. 1748.

P.S.

We desire your Honour &c^{t}. will forward the Enclosed Packet to the Honble Company by the first Opportunity.

DUPLICATE.

To COJA SULTAN DAVID.

SIR

Conformable to a Letter of Credit from Nicholas Morse Esq[r]. dated the 22[d]. November last, I transferr'd /20,000/ Rups. Bombay from his Account to yours under the 7[th]. February last, since when the President and Council here after having taken into their Consideration the nature of the Bills drawn on you by your Spouse at Spahaun, and which you thought proper to protest, they have lately attatched the above Sum of 20,000 Rups., of yours remaining In my hands to Satisfie the Honourable East India Company in part of what is due to them for the Principal and Interest of those Bills.

I thought proper to Advise you this Step, as I Suppose your Son will likewise who is now here. I am

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 29[TH]. MAY 1748.

SIR,
Your most Affec[t]. Friend & Servant
WILL. WAKE.

N°. 67

To THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ[R].
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S[T]. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

We wrote You last under date the 22[d]. Ultimo by his Majestys Ship Winchester but extreame bad Weather and the Winds Contrary having prevented her getting out of Port gives us an Opportunity of Acknowledging receipt of your Honour &c. Advices of the 21[st]. June Enclosing Dup. under the 11[th]. of the same Month which came to hand last Night ℔ Pattamar.

Lord Thomas Bertie having requested a further Supply of five hundred seventy eight one quarter and seventy four /578. 1. 74/ Rups. on account of his Majesty's Ship we have Advanc'd it him and Enclosed comes his first Bill dated this day in your Honour &c[t]. favour on M[r]. John Haman Agent Victualler for his Majestys Ship and Vessells in the East Indies.

We Congratulate your Hon[r]. on your defeating the French's fourth Attempt on your Settlement, and hope, 'ere this comes to hand, You will be Sufficiently reinforced by Admiral Boscawen's Arrival to act the Offensive Part as Successfully as you have the defensive.

In our former Advices to your Settlement you are informed of there being 300 Candies of Sandell Wood lying at Tellicherry for any of the Honble Comp[ys]., Ships that may be in want of it; and which, by the first Opportunity that Offers for our writing to Tellicherry, we Shall direct the Chief and Factors there to Ship on board the Delawa[rr] on her Arrival, or any other Ship you may Appoint, We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
WILL : WAKE.
GEO : SCOTT.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.

BOMBAY CASTLE
THE 4[TH]. AUGUST 1748.

N°. 68

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c^t^. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

I have received your Honour &c^t^. favour of the 23^d^. Ultimo advising of the Arrival of the French Ships, the Attack on Cuddalore and your success, which I hope may Continue till our Enemys are no more.

In regard to what Your Honour &c^t^. write Concerning the Honble Company's Apointment of me as fifth at S^t^. David, and my Advising you when I can leave Ingeram, Your Honour &c^t^. must be Sensible that a long residence to the Northward has Engaged me in a trade that I am not able to Settle my Affairs at once I must therefore request the favour you will please to permit me to be to the Northward till I may recover what Outstanding debts may be due to me.

I shall Observe the Regulation made by the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam as to the Rup^s^.

The death of Nizam and since that of our Nabob it was thought would Occasion Some Troubles in this Country, but nothing appears yet further than the Confinement of the Mussendar and two Rajahs, as the Jentoos may Possibly lay hold of the 1^st^. favourable Opportunity I shall Act with the greatest circumspection possible.

I have Invested the remittances sent me and have now packed and ready for any Conveyance that may Offer 120 Bales particulars as Undermentioned I Should have been glad to have got it cur'd but the precarious State of Affairs in these Parts render it very unsafe to trust any Cloth abroad.

I shall in a few days transmitt you an Account of the Honble Company's Estate at this Factory under date the 3^d^. of February I sent the Books Ending 1747 to Vizagapatam to be forwarded to you by first Sea-Conveyance According to your directions, and I beleive M^r^. Prince has Sent them by Some Vessell or other I am now getting another Copy ready to transmit to you I am

Ingeram
the 18^th^. July 1748.

Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servt.
Tho^s^. Saunders.

Cloth On hand

Long Cloth Ord^y^.	..	105
Fine		54
Sal^s^. Ord^y^.		52
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N°. 69

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

By the Griffin who imported here the 16^th^. Instant We received Dup. of your Honour &c^t^. Favour of the 23^d^. June and observe what you have bee[n] pleased to write us concerning the Exchange of the Ru[pees] as they were rated to us at 350 $ % Pagodas We thoug[ht] 375 was full as far as We could possibly go of our own Authority and accordingly made a tender of them to the Merchants at that Exchange which they refused to receive and said they could not take them under 400 $ % Pagodas but as the Price of Cloth has been raised of late Years We thought this so unreasonable that We determined not to go further than 375 and We flatter ourselves that Your Honour &c^t^. will think We have acted for the Interest of Our Honble Masters in so doing, but in case any thing should happen to prevent Your

Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. sending the Madrass Pagodas you intend us We shall take this Affair Once more into Consideration and rather than let the Money lye unemployed try if we can't bring them to Split the Difference.

We cannot express the Satisfaction We have had in reading that Part of Your Honour &c^{t}. Letter which informs us of the ill success of the French in their Attack upon Cuddalore; We hope the warm Reception they met with will discourage them from making any further attempts upon that Place.

As Our Honourable Masters have thought proper to appoint M^{r}. Prince M^{r}. Goodere and M^{r}. Westcott to the Council of Fort S^{t}. David Mess^{rs}. Prince and Westcott purpose to take the first Opportunity of repairing to their Stations and leave M^{r}. Goodere in Charge of the Honble Company's Affairs at this Place with M^{r}. Banks to Assist him as your Honour &c^{t}. has been pleased to direct.

Captain Hutchinson having represented to us the Abso[lute necessi]ty of having our Hoñ: Masters Vessell the S[wallow Snow] speedily sheathed in order to preserve her Bottom w[hich] has already received some Damage, We thought this is a proper Time and Place to do it in, and accordingly lightned her as much as Possible but our Barr being so Choked up for want of Rain that we found it impracticable to bring her into the River, Upon this Disapointment and the certain Advices We afterwards received from Ballasore that none of the Enemy's Ships were there the 22^{d}. Ult^{o}. the Captain came to a Resolution of proceeding with her to the Bay, and Sailed from hence the 18th. Instant Inclosed comes Copy of his Letter to us Concerning the Condition of the Vessell with Our Answer thereto, as also the Account of her Charges at this Place.

We shall transmit Your Honour &c^{t}. an Account of the Honble Companys Quick Stock at this Settlement and close our Books as soon as possible that Copy's thereof may be sent you in time.

Having nothing of moment to add more We remain with great Respect

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servts.

RICH^{D}. PRINCE.
ROB^{T}. GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 25TH. JULY 1748.

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. RICH: PRINCE ESQ^{R}.
&C^{A}. COUNCIL.

SIRS

Having fail'd in my Attempt of m[ak]ing the [Hon]ble Company's Vessell the Swallow Sn[ow] lighte[nd and bring] into this River in Order to repair her B[ottom I tak]e the liberty to acquaint you of the Condition she is in Viz^{t}. Her Sheathing is quite Worm eate[n] like a Huny Comb, and in several Places a great deal of it droped off, and the Worms are got into her Bottom having in Several Places eat an Inch deep into the Main Plank, I am in want of Salt Provisions not having more than is Sufficient for 10 Weeks at farthest, have but one good Suit of Sails, want some Spair Sparrs to Supply in case of Carrying away a mast or any such like Accident that in my humble Oppinion it is Absolutely Necessary the Vessell should be repaired and Supply[ed] with the above Necessary's with all Expedition and as [we] are assured by the late Advices from Bengall the French Fleet are not gone that way and know that they have a Ship of Force in Madrass Road Judge Bengall is y^{e}. safest and best Port to repair at but prefiring your Worships Judgment to my own humbly request your Worship &c^{t}. advice and Orders which Shall readily be obeyed by

SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. humble Servant to Command

NORTON HUTCHINSON

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 13 JULY 1748.

To Capt^N. Norton Hutchinson
of the Swallow Snow

Sir

As you have found it impracticable to bring our Honble Masters Vessell of the Swallow Snow into this River and as Your Letter of the 13^th. Instant acquaints us with the Condition she is in and the Absolute Necessity of her being speedily repaired We think you cannot do better than to proceed to the Bay with her directly, especially as we apprehend you have time enough to get your Business done so as to be able to join the Squadron before it leaves the Coast. We are

Sir,

Your most humble Serv^ts.

Vizagapatam
the 14 July 1748.

Rich^D. Prince.
Rob : Goodere.
Foss Westcott.

N°. 70

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

A Conveyance Offering by Negapatam I Embrace it to Inform Your Honours of my Proceedings since I left the Coast.

do.

On the 22^d. February in Latt. 7. N°. and about 100 Leagues East of Fort S^t. David I parted with the Warwick having filled all her Water and left every One well On board.

It was the 29^th. of March 'ere I reach'd Fort Marlbrough at which place after delivering the Consignments to it I Received two Chests of Treasure on Account of the Honble Company and Sailed again the 11^th. of April for Betavia.

The Monsoon Setting in Sooner this Year than Usual I did not See Bantam till the 17^th. of May, here I met a Ship on her way to Holland and forwarded Letters to the Honble Company, Arriving in Betavia Road the 20^th.

On the 29^th. of the said Month a Contract was Signed by me and M^r. Peter Garden Merch^t. In Betavia for four hundred Leaguers of Arrack, to be delivered in five Weeks but from the Demand, and the Scarcity of Casks it Occasioned, I could not get them put on board Cheaper than fivety Seven Rix dollars clear of all Charges and Duty's, One of which being five dollars ℔ Leaguer, is additional, and Laid on all Arrack put on board English Ships, Your Honours will be pleased to Observe the Measure is to be 384 of the Dutch Companys Canns Computed to Each Leaguer and the Arrack to be full Proof.

I Represented the Hardship of this New Duty to his Excellency, who Seemed Inclined to make it much Easier in that Respect, Provided the Honble Company would Contract for a Certain Quantity Annually, As I had no Power to Enter into any Engagements of this kind, I found I might as well Submit to their Duty's And leave the farther Consideration of it to your Honours.

There is a Request now lying before the Council for the Anchors & Two Bowsprights, w^ch. are the only Masts my Ship is Capable of Receiving unless I cut away her Stern Timbers, the Anchors w^ch. are to be found in their Store of the Dimentions I want may be had, but the General Seemed wavering about the Masts and Seems Surprized Your Honours had never Sent to the Ports of Columbo or Port de Gall, who have it not only in their Power but Particular directions to Supply the Squadron [with] these Articles.

The Last Advices from Europe to this Place were by the Swallow Sloop, on which Acc^{t}. His Excellency, seems under the greatest Uneasiness.

About the 10th. of July I hope to Sail for the Coast, if in my Power it Shall be sooner. I am

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. & most Humble Servant

BETAVIA

THE 1ST. JUNE 1748.

THO : STEVENS.

N^{o}. 71

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

The Tryal Snow imported the 5th. Ins^{t}. by whom we received your several Advices with the Packets Enclosed. This Hour the Rose Gally came in from Mocho, and the Success not being yet Clear of the Harbour just gives us Time to inform you that by the Rose we have received Advices from the Honble Company dated the 13th. January last, which were sent thither ℔ Essex who arrived at this Port the 9th. Ultimo. And which we now Communicate to your Honour &c^{t}. as perhaps you may have an Opportunity of Writing to the Honble Company before our Advices ℔ Hawk Sloop may reach you, though they will be dispatched in a few days. We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most humble Serv^{ts}.

BOMBAY CASTLE

[THE] 8TH. AUGUST 1748.

WILL : WAKE.
GEO : SCOTT.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.

N^{o}. 72

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

We have wrote Your Honour &c^{t}. fully under the 22^{d}. Ult^{o}., and this Instant by his Majestys Ship Winchester And this Serves purposely to Advice You of our having laden on this Ship Augusta a further Supply of Shells with some Hand Granadoes amounting to one thousand six hundred twenty One, one quarter fifteen reas /1621. 1. 15/ Rupees as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading Enclosed which You will please to bring to the Credit of this Presidency. We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most humble Serv^{ts}.

BOMBAY CASTLE

THE 4 AUGUST 1748.

WILL : WAKE.
GEO : SCOTT.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.

N°. 73

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c^t^. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

This serves only to Enclose Duplicates of the Invoice, Bills of Lading and some other Papers Relating to the Cargoe taken On board at this Place for Acc^t^. of the Honble Company. It has been with the greatest Difficulty I have been able to Comply even thus far with the Orders Received from Your Honours.

I am now watering my Ship and shall Sail hence in 24 hours I hope at farthest. I beg leave to Subscribe my self

Honble Sir and Sirs

Betavia — Your most Obed^t^. & most humble Servant

the 13^th^. July 1748. — Tho^s^. Stevens.

N°. 74

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Gov^r^. &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have received your two General Letters of the 12^th^. June and 27^th^. Ultimo.

With great pleasure we hear of the Arrival and departure for China of Four of our Honble Masters Ships and of the Arrival of the Lapwing and also Admiral Boscawen with his Squadron with which we hope you will be able soon to Subdue Pondicherry notwithstanding the Reinforcement thrown in by Mons^r^. Bovetter.

We Congratulate Governour Floyer &c^a^. Gentlemen whom the Honble Court of Directors have Confirmed in their Stations.

With great Pleasure we also congratulate you on your Success against the French Troops which Attacked Cuddalore the 17^th^. June it was very fortunate you had intelligence of their design may they always meet with the same fortune.

Herewith you will Receive a Packet for the President and Council of Bombay which please to forward by the first Conveyance for that place. We are

Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most Humble Servts.

Anjengo

the 16^th^. Aug: 1748.

Rich^d^. Bourchier.
Tho: Pattle.
Francis Fowke.
W^m^. Hornby.

N°. 75

To the Honble Governour
And Gentlemen of Council.

I take the Liberty to inform your Honour &ca., that by the Consent of the Honble Company, I Lodg'd in the Company's Cash at Madrass Six Thousand Pagodas at Interest belonging to the Orphans, when Nicholas Morse Esq^r^. was Governour as you will perceive by the Bond Enclosed, given by M^r^. Morse and his Council dated the 21^th^. February 1745. As I am the Administrator of them, do request your Honour & Gentlemen of the Supreme Council to be so good and Charitable to

Lessen the great want that they Lye under, who are now and have been at Pulicat ever Since the Loss of that City, for all tho' the Orphan's are not of Age Still they do Claim the Protection of Your Honour &c^{t}. I in the behalf of them do beg with all Submission to have the Interest that is due, according to the Copy Enclosed. I Conclude with the greatest Respect

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most humble & most Obed^{t}.
Servant

FREY SEVERINO DE SEVOYA.
O. M.

MADRASS
THE 7TH. SEPTEMBER 1748.

N^{o}. 76

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your Several favours of the 23^{d}. June, and 9th. Instant both reached me the 25th. agreeable to which I now send you an Account of the Stock of this Place, as likewise the last Years Books, which had come sooner but I deferr'd closing them, not knowing whether there might be any difference between the Warehousekeepers Account of the last Cloth, and the Invoice, The Duplicates shall follow in two or three days.

What reasons I had to distrust this Nabob were grounded in some Measure, on his Conduct at Chicacul, which however notorious is not to be compared with his Conduct here, as your Honour &c^{t}. may Judge by the following hints; so soon as he Arrived at Itchaporum 500 Horse and Peons were Ordered to Stop all the Avenues to the Town; this done they Informed themselves who were worth Money in or near the place and Accordingly their Emissnaries [*sic*] were dispatched to bring 'em. when without giving any reason for their so doing, they demanded from One to Twenty thousand Rupees as they Judged of their Abilities and to enforce their Compliance with these demands they, (without any Respect of Persons) made use of such Extraordinary methods, as I never heard or read of amongst the most barbarous nations of the World, nor could I have beleived it had not they been practised in this Town. Upon this News I thought of retiring and as I knew if they had any designs upon me they would Stop me in my way to the Southward, I wrote the Nabob of Catack for his Cowle to Stay at Moneckapatam till the Storm was over, which he readily granted, but at the same time Inform'd me that the Morattas were more Masters of the Country than he, and that if they made any demands upon me he could not protect me, this made me give over all thoughts that way and resolve to Stand my Ground; a few days after 40 Horse and 300 Musqueteers, were sent here under pretence of making reprizals upon the Nabob and some Cutack people, whose money and goods were lodged here having blocked up the Town on all sides, they begun wth. a Moors trader here, from whose house they took about 20,000 Rupees in money and Goods and a little Box wth. that Nabob's Seal upon it, said to Contain Diamonds of great Value, this business with digging, Searching, and punishing people to make them Confess where any thing was hid, took them up some days, from this they proceeded to five or Six other Houses In the Town where they thought they could get any thing Considerable, & after all were Idle enough to rob, two Towns belonging to the Catack Government, near this Place: this has Exasperated the Morattas so much, that they could hardly be restrained from coming to Plunder In these Parts they have sent Embassadours to this Nabob and demanded a large Sum of Money, how they will adjust this Affair I can not say; These Proceedings in a Government where People should fly for Protection I beleive Your Honour &c^{t}. will think with me is very unprecedented and Extraordinary but I presume the Death of Nizum and the Unsettled State the Affairs of the Country might be in

for some time has emboldened them to proceed thus far; Several Letters have come from Nassar Ging to call this Nabob away, but the time of his Rent wanting yet a month of its Expiration its probable he will prolong his Departure till then; beyond that he durst not; They have sent to me, for Several little things, which for Peace sake I have sent them, but Yesterday he sent to me, for 500 Peices Sallampores for Tents, in y^e^. usual Strain, that he would pay for them, upon which I took Occasion to let him know that he had given no Encouragement to trade, nor had I made any Sallampores since he came into the Country, and therefore could Sell None.

I am Sorry to be so prolix upon so unpleasant a Subject, but I have been thus Particular, that your Honour &c^t^. might have a View of the distress the Country is in under such Masters and the rather because should any Accident happen all that an Unfortunate Man, could say Afterwards might perhaps prove too little, for the Justifying of his Conduct I am with the greatest Esteem.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t^. and most
Obliged humble Servant
JOHN ANDREWS.

GANJAM
THE 27 JULY 1748.

N°. 77

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^T^. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your Honour &c^as^. Letters under the 27^th^. July we Received 20^th^. Instant and esteem ourselves much Obliged to you for the agreeable news of M^r^. Boscawen's Arrival.

We Congratulate your Honour &c^t^. on the late Confirmation our Honble Masters have been Pleased to Send you by the Hardwicke in Regard to your Presidency.

You may Assure yourselves we shall transmit you frequently all Occurrences worthy notice that comes to Our knowledge. We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most humble Servants

R. RAWDON.
T. BYFELD.
THO^S^. BENTON.
CHA : WATERS.
RICH^D^. SECKER.

TELLICHERRY
THE 26 AUGUST 1748.

N°. 78

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^T^. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Inclosed is Duplicate of our last when we Advised you of the Arrival of the Lively man of Warr, and that We had no News of the French Squadron Since which We have received your favour of the 10^th^. July and could have wished that you had sent us down the Lapwing with a Supply of Money which We are in the utmost want of.

We are now lading the Colchester Captain Wood with Wheat Salt Petre &c^{a}. Stores for y^{r}. Presidency and hope to get her away Shortly.

Enclosed We send a Commission for Captain Holland which you will please to deliver him We desire you will forward the accompanying Packett to our Honble Masters and Are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most humble Serv^{ts}

FORT WILLIAM
THE 18TH. AUGUST 1748.

WILL : BARWELL.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUM : BELLAMY.
WILL : KEMPE.
E. EYLES.
WILL : FYTCHE.
ROGER DRAKE.
E. H. CRUTTENDEN.

N^{o}. 79

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Our Honble Masters having as I am informed been pleased to Order that such of their unfortunate Madrass Servants who by their Standing are under your Council shall be again taken into their Service and have their Standings allowed them. I take the Liberty humbly to request I may be allow'd the Benefit of the said Order. If I am so happy as to gain your Consent to the foregoing Request I humbly beg Your Honour &c^{t}. will favour me with your Commands by the first General Letter to this Place on Receipt whereof I shall forthwith repair to my Duty.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. and
most humble Servant

J. W. SPECK.

CALCUTTA
THE 18 AUGUST 1748.

N^{o}. 80

DUPLICATE.

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

We have received your Several favours of the 6th. 13th. 21th. & 24th. April and 17th. of May the Prince William imported here the 24th. April & the True Briton imported the 12th. May by whom We received 40 Chests of Rupees and 18 Candies of Cotton.

We Observe that you seem to think it necessary to keep a great Part of the money with you which was designed for this Settlement Acc^{t}. of the disbursements necessary for the Squadron and Military Opperations but when you Consider that our Investments is much more Considerable and that those Disbursments will fall in some measure to Our Share as well as yours We hope in future you will take care not to keep us so difficient in money as We are at Present.

We likewise take Notice that you have taken the Stores out of the Prince William & True Briton which were intended for this Settlem^{t}. for the Amount of Which We shall Debt your Presidency.

We have forwarded the Copy of the Letter from the Governour and Council of Negapatam to you to the Gentlemen at Hughley and have desir'd their Assistance in case We should have Need thereof who wrote us in Answer that they have Stationed their Ships at Bernagore for that purpose.

The Cost of the 2 Chests and 2 Cases of Medicines and the Bale of Fine Mazarine Blue Broad Cloth marked N^{o}. 1441 Amounts to Rupees 1196. 10. 3 for which we Shall Debt your Presidency.

We designed to have sent up Captain Wood In the Colchester with Wheat and Salt Petre as a Supply for your Garrison but on the 21st. June the Lively Man of Warr imported here In Ballasore Road a Letter from thence was forwarded by Captain Parker with One from Commodore Griffin Advising the President that Nine French Men of Warr had passed Our Squadron to the Northward therefore We do not think it Adviseable to dispatch any Ship from hence till further Advices.

The Lively in Beating up to Vizac^{m}. met with such bad Weather that She Sprung a Leak & damaged her Rudder which Obliged her to bear down here where She is now refitting.

We have no Redwood left in our Godown for the dispatch of Our Ships.

As Our Honble Masters ordered the Swallow Snow to be dispatched Home from this Place We are greatly surprized you have not sent her down. We desire you will forward the Enclosed Packet to Our Honble Masters and are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most humble Servts.

FORT WILLIAM,
THE 25 JULY 1748.

WILL : BARWELL.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUM : BELLAMY.
WILL : KEMPE.
EDW^{D} EYLES.
WILL : FYTCHE.
ROGER DRAKE.
E. H. CRUTTENDEN.

P.S.

Since writing the foregoing the Swallow is Arrived with Us & Capt. Hutchinson writes the Presid^{t}. she wants much refitting.

N^{o}. 81

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

I Address'd myself to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. the 7th. of March last, and at the same time acquainted you of my Arrival here with the Honble Company's Chay Goods which have since been pack'd up in Wax Cloth in Order to be in readiness to be sent upon the first Vessell that you Shall be pleased to Order to call in here for them.

As M^{r}. Prince takes his Passage upon the Phœnix James Archor Master, I have sent by him Copy's of Maddapollam Books for 1745, 1746, and 1747 as also an Abstract of the Expences for 1745 the which I hope will prove Satisfactory.

The Maddapollam Effects as well as the Ballance of Cash, I have deliver'd to Mr. Saunders at Ingeram; which no doubt he has advised your Honour &ca. of I am with great Respect

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Obedt. & most Humble Servants

SAMUEL BANKS.

VIZAGAPATAM

THE 9TH. SEPTEMBER, 1748.

N°. 82

DUPLICATE.

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

We are now to acknowledge the receipt of your Favours of the 17th. and 22d. August. We are glad to hear our Letter of the 25th. July came safe to hand and as Offten as any thing of moment occurs to Us We shall not fail of dispatching Peons to Advise you thereof, We shall also give them a Strict Charge to keep wide of Pullicat.

The News of Mr. Boscawen's Arrival and the Success he has met with in driving the Enemy out of their Fort of Areacopong gives us inexpressible Joy and we hope we shall soon hear of his being in Possession of Pondicherry.

We shall give all possible incouragement to the Dealers in Grain to Supply Your Honour &ca. therewith, but as their Vessells are incapable of making the September Trip it will be the Month of December at soonest before you can receive any from these Parts, As to Wheat there is not a Grain to be had at present in the Country but barring Disturbances in the inland Parts, We hope to be able to procure 30 or 40 Garse between this and January.

On Honble Masters Ship Exeter imported here the 28th. Ulto. and brought us the Treasure and Wares for this Place and Ingeram. We have also shipped on board the said Ship 76 Bales of Calicoes Account and Risque our Honble Masters and Consigned the same to the Presdt. and Council of Fort William and have 56 Bales more lying in the Washers hands. The Winchelsea arrived here the 29th. Ulto. under Convoy of his Majesty's Ships the Medway's Prize and Apollo, These Ships together with the Exeter sail'd out of this Road the 31st.

As Mr. Prince and Mr. Westcott purpose taking their Passage upon a Briggantine that will leave this Place in about 8 Days We Shall take the same Opportunity to send you Our Books and Accounts at present We have only to add that we are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Obedt. humble Servants

RICHD. PRINCE.
ROB : GOODERE.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

VIZAGAPATAM

THE 3D. SEPTEMBER 1748.

P.S.

With this comes a Packet of Letters we have just now recd. from Bengall.

OF THE BOMBAY

N°. 83

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President & Gov^R^. &c. Council of
Fort S^T^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

We wrote you under date the 3^d^. Instant and inclosed comes Duplicate thereof, M^r^. Prince and M^r^. Westcott having taken their Passage upon this Vessell We now send your Hon^r^. &c^t^. Copy of our last Years Books together with our Diarys and Consultations Cash and Paymasters Accounts for April, May, June, July, and Aug^st^. also the Ingeram Books for 1746 with a Packet from M^r^. Saunders which he has desired us to forward to you by the first Conveyance.

As this Garrison is in much want of Iron Ordinance and Gunners Stores We take the Liberty to inclose an Indent for the same.

M^r^. Prince will inform your Honour &c^a^. of the Needfull Concerning our Hoñble Masters at this Place so that We have only to add that we are with Respect

Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. humble
Servants
Rich^D^. Prince.
Rob : Goodere.
Foss Westcott

Vizagapatam
the 12 Sept : 1748.

Indent of Gunners Stores for the Use of Vizagapatam.

20 Iron Ordinance Viz^t^.
6 Guns of 12 lb.
14 Guns of 18 lb.

20 Guns.

Iron Shotts of Sorts Viz^T^.

2000	Shotts of	2 Oz.
2000	Shotts of	4 oz.
2000	Shotts of	8 oz.
2000	Shotts of	12 oz.
2000	Shotts of	1 lb.
1468	Shotts of	4 lb.
780	Shotts of	6 lb.
330	Shotts of	9 lb.
1200	Shotts of	12 lb.
2800	Shotts of	18 lb.

16578 Shotts of Sorts.

2 Brass Cowhorns of 4½.
200 Shells for Ditto.
1 Howbezett.
100 Shells for Ditto.
500 Small Hand Granadoes.
50 Powder Horns.
50 Gunners Bitts.
[...]2 Pair of Hand Screws.
[...] Muscovid Lights.
[...] Barrils of Tarr.
[...]2 Sheets of Copper for Gun Ladles.
[...] Ditto Lead for Gun Aprons.

℔ me.

John Seaton.

N°. 84

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President & Governour &c^A^. Council of
Fort S^T^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

Tho' I have not the Honour to be known by you personally, I take the Liberty to make you this Address to acquaint you, that my deceased Husband before the Misfortunes of Madrass lent Governour Morse and his Council a Sum of Money and as I am his heiress and trustee I make bold to send you the Copies of the Bonds, in the behalf of the said my Husband Luis de Medeires. I beg the favour of you Gentlemen to assist me in this Affair, (of Consequence to me) in Causing the money to be paid, to my Order at Fort S^t^. David or Bengall, or part with the Interest due thereon: in doing this you will lay an Everlasting Obligation on me, I do assure you Gentlemen that since the General Calamity of Madrass (wherein I have been a Considerable Sufferer,) I have been at a vast Expence, and am at present obliged to borrow Money to defray them, notwithstanding which, I make this demand Gentlemen, only as far as it Suits your and the Company's Conveniance, and shall wait with pleasure your deci[sion] the Unsettled State of Affairs on this Coast, made me no[t to] importune you, All this time, on this my Demand, a[t] present my Necessity And reason, forced me to Request this favour, which I hope you will take into Consideration, I am with Respect

Pullicatt
The 25 September 1748.

Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. & most humble
Servant
An^TA^. de Medeiros.

N°. 85

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President & Governour &c^A^. Council of
Fort S^T^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

I am now to acknowledge the receipt of Your Honour &c^t^. Favour of the 22^d^. Ult^o^. with its Duplicate advising of the Supply of, Pagodas 16,000 ℔ Winchelsea and Exeter w^ch^. will enable me to vigoriously [*sic*] set about the Investment.

I shall at all Events get as much Cloth cur'd as possible though the Country still continues Unsettled.

This Place lies very ill convenient for the procuring of Wheat which defect will I hope be Supplied by the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam as M^r^. Prince informs me he has Contracted for a Quantity I shall in a few days send Your Honour &c^t^. what Ghee I have been able to procure and get as much more as I can.

Two french Briggantines and a Sloop are come into this River and they daily expect a Country ship from Metchlepatam.

I am greatly Obliged to Your Hon^r^. &c^t^. for the indulgence granted me I am

Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. humble Servant
Tho: Saunders.

Ingeram
the [8^th^.] September 1748.

N°. 86

DUPLICATE.

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

We wrote you last under the 8^th^ Instant ℔ Success Gally Duplicate of which is Enclosed. And this we dispatch by the return of a Pair of your Pattamars and is chiefly to desire Your Honour &c^t^. will inform the President and C^o^. at Bengall as Expeditiously as you can what Tonnage in Pepper you Judge you shall want for the Mallabar Coast before February next which will be a guidance to them as we now write them that we shall have upwards of twelve hundred (1200) Tons of Surplus Pepper On the Coast for such Ships as may stand in need of it either from Your Presidency or theirs.

As we shall shortly write your Hon^r^. &c^a^. by the Sloop as formerly mentioned we shall only add by this Land Conveyance which possible is Precarious that We are

Honble Sir and Sirs

Your most humble Servt^s^

Will: Wake.
J. Sewell.
T. Dorrill.
T. Lane.

Bombay Castle
the 19 Aug: 1748.

N°. 87

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President & Gov^R^. &c^A^. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last was under the 19^th^. Inst[ant] ℔ Pattamar Duplicate of which is Enclosed. And th[is] your Honour &c^a^. will receive ℔ Hawk Sloop built here for the Service of Bengall Presidency and now dispatched thither but which is Ordered to touch at your Place for such Advices as your Honour &c^t^. or the Admiral may have to send to y^e^. Bay, when you will please to hasten her away accordingly.

Agreeable to our Advices ℔ Winchester Man of Warr we have laden on this Vessell Eleven bags of Mustard Seed amounting as ℔ Invoice & bill of Lading enclosed to Rupees One hundred and Ninety three quarters and eighty seven Reas (193. 3. 87) for which you will please to Credit this Presidency.

Enclosed are Lord Thomas Berties second Bills of Exchange for the Sum of Rupees twelve thousand six hundred and sixty eight one quarter & eighty six Reas (12668. 1. 86) respectively drawn on the Agent Victualler and Storekeeper of his Majesty's Ships and Vessells in the East Indies, As likewise the Presidents Second Bill on Admiral Griffin for Rupees three thousand and four and forty Nine Reas (3004. 49) as particularly mentioned in our Advices by the Winchester. You will also receive herewith another of the Bonds signed by Coja Shawmere and Captain James Barton as fully mentioned in Our said Advices.

The Honble Company's Ship Essex arrived at Mocho on the 9^th^. July last, and was to sail thence, as it is said, for this Place about the 25^th^. Instant with a full Loading of Coffee.

Herewith your Honour &c^{a}. will receive an Original and Dup^{e}. Packet directed to the Honble Company the former of which we desire may be forwarded by the first Opportunity and the latter by the next that may offer. We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Humble Serv^{ts}.

WILL: WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.
T. LANE.

BOMBAY CASTLE

THE 30TH. AUGUST 1748.

P.S.

We have duely recd. your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Favour of the 7th. July last.

N^{o}. 88

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

We wrote you under the 30th. Ultimo ℔ Hawk Sloop which Vessell being detained here to this Time gives us an Opportunity to acknowledge the receipt of your Favour dated the 28th. July advising the safe Arrival of Admiral Boscawen and his Squadron at Your Port on which We heartily Congratulate your Honour &c^{t}. and wishing you Success in all y^{r}. Undertakings We remain

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most humble Serv^{ts}.

WILL: WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
T. DORRILL.
T. LANE.

BOMBAY CASTLE

THE 9TH SEPTEMBER 1748.

N^{o}. 89

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Our last bore date the 18th. Augst. Since which time We have not been favoured with any Letters from you.

We are now to Advise that We have drawn the following Bills of Exchange on your Presidency Viz^{t}. First and Second in favour of M^{r}. Solomon Solamans

	Arcot Rupees	
for	8755	12
First & Second in fav: of M^{r}: Charles Boddam for d^{o}. ...	4000	—
d^{o}. d^{o}. in favour of M^{r}. Rob^{t}. Sloper for A. Rup^{s}. ...	3967	12

and desire you will pay the same when due.

As our distresses here for want of money have been exceeding great We hope your Honour &c. will lay hold of all Opportunities to supply Us.

We send this by the Colchester On her We have laden Sundry Stores for your Presidency as ℔ Invoices and Bills of Lading Enclosed Amounting to Current Rupees 32877: 2: 9.

The Storekeeper informs us that he has laden on board the Colchester Eleven Chests and Casks agreeable to the enclosed List but as he cannot find the Invoice thereof and does not know the quantity they contain We desire your Honour &c^{t}. will let us know the Quantity and the Amount you will give this Presidency Credit for that the same may be adjust'd here.

M^{r}. John Starke who came out a Writer in the Honble Company's Service for the Coast takes his Passage on this Ship.

M^{r}. Richard Court who dispatches this Ship from Ingellie will advise you of the Necessary from thence.

We intend to dispatch the Hoñ. Company's Snow the Swallow from hence in the Month of October for Europe and remain

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Humble Servts.

WILL : BARWELL.
GEO : PATTLE.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUM : BELLAMY.
WILL : KEMPE.
EDW^{D} . EYLES.
WILL : FYTCHE.
ROGER DRAKE.
E. H. CRUTTENDEN.

FORT WILLIAM

THE 5 SEPTEMBER 1748.

P.S.

A Chest of Medicines designed for your Settlement We likewise send you in this Ship.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO FORT S^{T}. DAVID & COLCHESTER.

N^{o}. 1. General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated y^{e}. 5 Sept^{r}. 1748.
2. Invoice of Sundries laden on Ship Colchester amount^{g}. to Curr^{t}. Rups. 32877. 2. 9.
3. First Bills of Lading of Sundries on board.
4. List of Sundry Stores laden on board.
5. Copy of Capt. Richard Woods Sailing Orders.

N^{o}. 90.

To THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Pursuant to an Order received from the Honble the President & Council of Calcutta to proceed to the dispatch of the Ship Colchester, I set out immediately and arrived on board the 13th. at Noon, but the Captain not being ready for his dispatches, did not give him his Sailing Orders before this day.

Captain Richard Wood not being able to take in his whole Tonnage designed by the Honble the President and Council of Fort William to be laden on board the Ship Colchester I have protested against him for the same and have also endorsed it off of his Bills of Lading, Copy of the Protest I herewith send Your Honour &c^{a}. Council.

Inclosed I have sent you the follow^{g}. Papers Viz^{t}.

A List of the Ship's Company.
The Gunner's Report of the Guns, Powder &c^{t}.
A Copy of a Protest against Capt. Rich : Wood.

I also enclose Your Honour &c^{a}. Council a receipt for Four Chests of Quick Match, as there has been no Bills of Lading Signed for them.

The Ship now draws Nineteen Foot four Inches abaft, and Sixteen Foot, Seven Inches forward. I wish her a Speedy and prosperous Voyage, and am with Respect

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
RICH^{D}. COURT.

DATED On board
SHIP COLCHESTER OFF KEDJEREE
THE 15TH. SEPTEMBER, 1748.
AT 9 o CLOCK A.M.

I Richard Court Factor in the Service of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies Do on their part and behalf Protest against you Captain Wood Commander of Ship Colchester and against the several part Owners of said Ship for all Damages y^{t}. shall or may accrue to the said United Company for that you Captain Rich^{d}. Wood have refused to lade on Board your said Ship and have returned three hundred and fifty Bags of Wheat part of the Cargoe directed to be laden on said Ship by the President & Council of Fort William in Bengall on the Account and Risque of said Company Dated on board Ship Colchester this 15th. day September 1748.

RICH^{D}. COURT.

WITNESS
RICH^{D}. STARKE.
SCROOP FLEMING.

To M^{R}. RICH^{D}. COURT.

SIR

Pursuant to an Order received from the Honble the President and Council of Fort William. I have taken a Survey of Ship Colchester (Captain Richard Wood) her Guns and Amunition and find as follows, 30 Guns (2 of which Mounted In the Gunroom) 45 Barrils of Gunpowder 30 Rounds of Shott, with furniture & Small Arms in Propotion.

I am
SIR
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
JAMES IRWIN.

ON BOARD SHIP COLCHESTER
OFF KEDJEREE
DATED THE 12TH. SEPTEMBER, 1748.

COPY,
N^{o}. 91

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSHIP. SIR AND SIRS

This accompany's Copy of the Ingeram Books Ending Ult^{o}. April 1747 with Abstract of the Expenc's of the Factory that Year compared with the former. I am

WORSHIP. SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
THO: SAUNDERS.

INGERAM
THE 3^{D}. FEBRUARY 1747/8.

N°. 92

To the Worship: Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
Deputy Gov^r^. &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Worship Sir and Sirs

I have received your Worship &c^a^. favour of the 17^th^. Ult^o^. I have heard nothing of the Emilia so suppose She is bound elsewhere and as I have Shipped off my Bales here is but little Temptation for their molesting me but if such should be their Intentions I imagine it may be by a Small party on some Jentoo Vessell which I hope you may get Timely Notice Off to prevent, inclosed is Duplicate of my last. I am

Worship Sir and Sirs

Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servant

Tho: Saunders.

Ingeram
the 28^th^. January 1747.

N°. 93

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

Since our last of the 5^th^. September We have received yours favours of the 17^th^. and 22^d^. August ℔ Ship Winchelsea.

We observe with a great deal of pleasure the safe arrival of Admiral Boscawen and the good Success he has hitherto met with which We hope will attend his future Enterprizes.

We shall provide the Packing Stuff agreeable to the Indent and have given notice that We are ready to receive Musters of the Wheat and Rice you write for in Order to get the same in readiness for the December Shipping.

We are now to acquaint you that the Treasure ℔ Winchelsea has been landed here and found to turn out right. The Exeter we hear is passed Ingellie so that We may expect her up in a few days.

We have received the Extract of the Gentlemen at Fort Marlborough's Letter containing a complaint against Captain Rannie which on his arrival we shall enquire into and endeavour to procure Justice to Our Honourable Masters.

We are very sensible that early Advices in these precarious times are very necessary but it is not worth while to put the Company to the Expence of Cossid hire when we have nothing to Advise. We are

Honble Sir and Sirs

Your most humble Servts.

Will: Barwell.
Geo: Pattle.
Adam Dawson.
Hump': Bellamy.
Will: Kempe.
Edw^d^. Eyles.
Will: Fytche.
Roger Drake.
E. H. Cruttenden.

Fort William
the 19 Sept. 1748.

N°. 94

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

The 13^th^. Instant in the morning Mess^rs^. Prince and Westcott Embarked on the Phoenix and Carried along with them the several Books and Accounts as ℔ General Letter wrote your Honour &c. the 12^th^. Duplicate thereof, with our Diarys and Consultations to the Ult°. September comes Inclosed.

Agreeable to your Honour &c. Order M^r^. Prince has delivered Over to me the Ballance of the Honble Company's Cash the 10^th^. September Amounting to Madrass Pagodas Sixteen thousand one hundred forty five, Twenty One fanams and thirty two Cash /M.P^s^. 16145 : 21 : 32/ And Arcott Rupees Fifty two thousand seven hundred forty seven, seven Annas & a half Arcott Rupees /52747 : 7 : 2/ as likewise the Charge of this Factory in the care of which I beg leave to Assure Your Honour &c^t^. of my Utmost Assiduity.

M^r^. Saunders in his Letter to us of the 9^th^. September apprehending that Rawpapah Rawze's Party who are now Plundering the Peddaporam Country may give him some Trouble as well as the Yanamers /who increase in Number/ has requested a party of 20 Men and a Serjeant which were sent him the 13. of the same and as nothing of moment has occurd since have only to add that I am with all Possible Respect

Honble Sir and Sirs

Vizagapatam — Your most Obed^t^. humble Servant

the 18 September, 1748. — Rob : Goodere.

N°. 95

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

This serves to Cover Invoice and Bill of Lading for 150 Duppers of Ghee pz. 41. 1. 23½ amounting to P^s^. 688 : 15 : 38 laden on boat Maddepollam please to return the boat immediately as She is the only One I have to Shipp off the Bales.

The Country continues very unsettled. I am

Honble Sir and Sirs

Ingeram — Your Most Obed^t^. humble Servant

the 10 Sept : 1748. — Tho : Saunders.

N°. 96

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R^.
President & Gov^R^. &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

The 10^th^. Instant I enclosed Your Hoñ. &c^t^. Dup^e^. Invoice and Bill of Lading for 150 Duppers Ghee ℔ Maddepollam Boat.

The Country is very unsettled several Towns Plundered near us they have engaged the Nabobs forces kill'd several of his People & retired to a Strong hold

ready to make excursions on any favourable Opportunity for Security of the Company's effects I have got 20 Men from Vizagapatam I heartily Wish things may mend but much doubt it however hope I shall be able to invest the Money sent me. I am

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your Most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant

INGERAM

THE 25 SEPT. 1748.

THO : SAUNDERS

N°. 97

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & Gov̄. &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

This Serves to Cover Dup̄. Invoice of Ghee laden On boat Maddepollam Syrang Curree Peru. I am

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your Most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant

INGERAM

THE 12TH. SEPT. 1748.

THO : SAUNDERS.

N°. 98

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

We wrote you last under the 9th. Ultimo And this serves to Enclose a Packet from the Honble C^{o}. for your Presidency, which we received by the Orford Capt. Philip Joeldrell from Gombroom on the 13th. Instant As likewise the undermentioned Packets Viz^{t}.

One for the Deputy Gov^{r}. and Council at Fort Marlborough On the West Coast.

One for the Honble Admiral Boscawen.

One for the Honble Admiral Griffin.

The Honble Company's Ship Essex imported here the 6th. Instant from Mocho fully loaded with Coffee and is bound for Great Britain. We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your Most humble Servants

WILL : WAKE.
J. SEWELL.
T. LANE.
H. SYMMONS.

BOMBAY CASTLE

THE 15 OCTOBER 1748.

P. S.

Duplicate of our last goes inclosed.

N°. 99

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

I would not have delayed writing so long had any thing Material happen'd or I could have been favoured with a line from Your Honour &c^t^. which daily I am waiting in hopes Off.

At this time M^r^. Prince left this Place I flattered myself with hopes of Providing at least 100 Bales of Cloth for the Honble Company by January, the Merchants giving me Confidence thereof, but am Sorry to acquaint your Honour &c^t^. that now I begin to dispare [*sic*] of that Quantity Cotton being exceeding dear and the Country an entire Scene of Confusion so much so, that the Weavers can work only in the day and Obscond [*sic*] of Nights, The Rajahs in several Places are in Arms and the Nabob incapable to withstand them, besides, a Demand is made on him for 4 Lack which he has not One to answer, and to Compleat the Misfortunes of the Poor it is generally beleived there will be a Famine in these parts, for as yet we are deprived of our Usual Monsoons that the Country and Hills are quite burnt up.

Inclosed is Duplicate of my last with Cash and Paymasters Accounts for Sept.

I am with Respect

Honble Sir and Sirs

Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servant
Rob : Goodere.

Vizagapatam
the 24 October, 1748.

N°. 100

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c^a^. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

I have received your Honour &c^t^. favours of the 27^th^. September and 3^d^. Ultimo all possible Encouragement shall be given to the Grain Merchants and my best endeavours shall not be wanting to procure Wheat but I beleive it Impracticable.

I have not as yet heard any thing from Vizagapatam concerning the Bill of Exchange.

The Unsettled State of the Country induc'd me to send for a small party from Vizagapatam for the better Security of my Honble Masters Effects which I hope to return in a few days.

According to your directions I shall proceed as soon as possible to Vizagapatam & leave the Charge of this Factory to M^r^. Churchey.

Account Cloth on hand as undermentioned I am

Honble Sir and Sirs

Your Most Obed^t^. humble Servant

Tho : Saunders

Ingeram
The 4^th^ Nov^r^. 1748.

Long Cloth Ordinary 230.
Fine 110.
Sallampores Ord^y^. 68 Corge.

N°. 101

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

Your favours of the 27^th^. September and 3^d^. Instant I have received together with first Bill of Exchange on Verjadass at Mazlepatam for 10,000 Madrass Pagodas, to be equally devided betwixt this Settlement and Ingeram being much Obliged to your Honour &c^t^. for appointing me Resident there, and shall repair to my Respective Station with all Expedition after M^r^. Saunders arrives here, who writes me he will leave Ingeram in few days, so that I can only recommend to him what your Honour &c^t^: has wrote Concerning Wheat and other Grain which I wish he may not find difficult to Comply with as we are much in want of Our Usual Rains.

This accompanys a Packet of Letters received last Night from Ganjam and Inclosed is Dup. of what wrote Your Honour &c^t^. the 24 Instant, I am with great Respect

Honble Sir and Sirs

Vizagapatam — Your most Obed^t^. Hum[ble] Servant

The 31 October, 1748. — Rob : Goodere.

Account of Cloth at the Wash and in the Godowns.

Long Cloth Ord^y^.	Corges	56	16	Bales	37
Salampores Ord^y^.		254	—		63½
Long Cloth fine 23 Punjams ..		23	5		11½
				In all	112 Bales

N°. 102

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Gov. &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

This serves to Cover your Honour &c^t^. the Accounts of this place for three Months past I wish I could give you a better Account of the State of the Govern^t^. here than in my last, but the Nabob still continues in these parts, with an Army of 2000 horse, and 20,000 Peons /besides Auxilliaries/ plundering the whole Country; Its my Misfortune to be seated under such a Govern^t^. where I can neither do any thing with Advantage to the Company, or Credit to myself. but as an Enumeration of Particulars will avail but little, I can only wait patiently their remove, which cannot now be long. I am with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir and Sirs

Ganjam — Your Most Obed^t^. and most Obliged hum. Serv^t^.

The 25 Sept : 1748. — John Andrews.

N°. 103

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort St. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have received your favours of the 4th. September ℔ Porto Bello & two of the 5th. October ℔ Success and Lapwing. And Yesterday arrived the Bombay Castle by which Ship We received yours of the 24th. & 30th. September.

The Treasure Cotton & Lead ℔ Porto Bello we have received The Cotton was deficient Four Maunds Eleven Seer (4 : 11 :) and the Lead Four Maunds thirty Six Seer Eight Chatack (4. 36. 8) but the Treasure came out right. The Sundrys You have sent us by the Bombay Castle not being yet landed We cannot inform you how they turn out.

We have come to a Resolution of sending you the Winchelsea Porto Bello and True Briton with Rice and What Wheat and Sundrys Indented for and procurable here And shall order the Winchelsea to touch at the Northern Settlements for the Bales there, and We shall leave it to you to send such of the Ships to the Mallabar Coast to take in the Pepper mentioned by Mr. Wake or dispatch them to Europe as you may Judge most Advantageous for our Honble Masters Interest and we reckon their Tonnage will be Sufficient for the Carrying home y̰ : Bales likewise.

Mr. Kelsall from Ballasore advises us that the Chinam which Arrived there from Ingera[m] was much damaged and if he can he will disp[o]se of [it] there.

Fort Marlborough has b[ee]n debited for the Ophium designed thither whi[c]h you'll please to Credit accordingly for the Amount it Sold for.

As Capt. Baron is goin[g] to your Place again We shall leave it to your Honou[r] &cᵗ. to settle with him about the Guns.

We are very much concerned at the raising the Seize of Pondicherry and as you seem to thin[k] the greatest part of his Majesty's forces will remain wth. you, as also the Independant Company's, and as this Settlement is very bare of Men, we desire you will retu[rn] us the Military we Sent you as likewise what Men you can Spare.

We are likewise in want of some Stores the Gunners Indent of which we Enclose.

We shall send you half the Gunpowder We have ready made On the Ships bound to your Presidency when the Gunners Report of the Quality thereof shall be sent you.

Enclosed we send you Copy of a Letter from Mr. Kelsall Our Chief at Ballasore, and request your Hon̰ : &cª. will get our Honble Masters justice done them.

Mr. William Speck presenting us a Letter Wherein your Secretary informs him that you have Entertained him upon your Establishment, has desired our leave to return to your Place; But as We are in great want of Assistants at present for the Company's Business, and he being of great use to Us We are to request you will Let him Stay here 'till after the dispatch of Our Ships to Europe when he Shall go to your Settlement.

We are preparing to dispatch the Lapwing for Europe And she shall be Ordered to touch at your Place to carry home such Advices as you may think proper to send by her.

Capt. Norton Hutchinson Commr. of the Swallow Snow left this Place the 22d. Instant for Europe.

We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Humble Servts.

WILL: BARWELL.
GEO: PATTLE.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUM: BELLAMY.
WILL: KEMPE.
EDWD. EYLES.
WILL: FYTCHE.
ROGER DRAKE.
E. H. CRUTTENDEN.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 28TH. NOVEMBER, 1748.

TO THE HONBLE WILLIAM BARWELL ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOV. &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Having met with great Trouble in Regard to a Ships Cargoe taken out by his Majesty's Ships on the Choromandell Coast I beg leave to lay the Affair (as far as I have had knowledge of it) before Your Honour &ct. Council.

A Ship belonging to Scheek Mahmud Moneer who Sailed from Ballasore the beginning of the Season for the Coast with a Rice Cargoe was taken by one of his Majesty's Ships going into Pullicat the Cargoe taken out and the Ship returned to the Nokadah who brought her back to Ballasore & immediately made his Complaint to the Dubar who have Insisted upon my paying for the Cargoe which I told them in order to quiet them I wou'd write to Your Honour &c. Council Concerning and desire to know your Pleasure.

By Letters Received from B[a]llaso[re] Yesterday I am Informed that the Vacqueel and [H]onble Company's Merchants are made Prisoners the Owner of the Ship who lives at Hughley I have sent for and is now waiting your Honour &ct. Council Answer as [d]oes with great Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedt. Humble Servant

HENRY KELSALL.

FORT WILLIAM

THE 28 NOVEMBER, 1748.

N°. 104

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Governour &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

This Serves to forward a Paket [*sic*] of Letters that came in this Morning from Ganjam, and to Inclose Duplicate of my last under the 31^st^. October which is the Material at present. I am with Respect

Honble Sir and Sirs

Vizagapatam — Your most Obed^t^. humble Servant

The 23 Nov: 1748. — Rob. Goodere.

P.S.

Account Cloth at the Wash & in the Godowns.

	Co	ps	Bags
Long Cloth Ordinary	77	16	51½
Salampores D°.	271	3	67½
Long Cloth Fine	27	17	14
	Bales		133

P.S.

M^r^. Banks desires tc return your Honour &c^a^. thanks for appointing him third in Council here & hopes you'll excuse the Omission last Opportunity.

N°. 105

To the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^r^.
President & Gov^r^. &c. Council of
Fort S^t^. David.

Honble Sir and Sirs

When I Weigh'd from Fort S^t^. David agreeable to your Orders I made the best of my way for Columbo, where I arrived the 25^th^. Ultimo at Night, & on going ashoar the Next morning I found (Lodg'd with the Governour) M^r^. Bourchiers Letters advisin[g] of the Sosation [*sic*] of Arms; Likewise was at the same [time] informed that Captain Powlett had left that Port for the Mallabar Coast the 22^d^. therefore I made all the dispatch I could on Board that might not loose the Opportunity of his Convoy Accordingly I sailed with the Land Wind that Evening, and Arrived here the 29^th^. where I found Captain Powlett with the rest of the Ships that Sailed with him, who came in the Day before, With the Advice of M^r^. Bouchier I put myself under his Convoy, & now expect to Sail every hour, his Sick Men being much Recover'd.

Nothing worth mentioning happen'd in my Passage from Fort S^t^. David here, Except meeting with the Edgbaston off Dunderhead on Ceyloan, who had fallen to Leeward of Trankamala and for want of Water was going to Galley, the Officer that came on b^d^. informed me they had seen the Namur three Days before off Battacola. The Next morning I saw another Company's Ship going into Galley which I take to be the Fort S^t^. George. I am

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Honours most Obed^t^. & most hum. Servt.

Edw^d^. Burman.

Snow Brilleant
In Anjengo Road
Dec: the 6^th^. 1748.

N°. 106

To THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your Letter of the 18th. October ℔ Oxford did not come to hand till the 14th. November on rect. of which we immediately dispatched an Express to Bombay via Tellicherry for Orders how we should act in that afair, as we had not Goods In our Warehouse sufficient to load her, & we Expected a Ship from Bombay to take in our Cloth Since which we have received Advice from Tellicherry of the Chief and Factors there having orders to fill up the Ships you should send them, which we have not And on the 5 Instant We dispatched a Sloop with a Letter from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry to Captain Thomas Stevens, and advised him to make the best of his way to Tellicherry where he might be Loaded in time to save Admiral Griffins Convoy.

The 28th. Ulto. Imported his Majesty's Ships Exeter, Harwick, & Eltham with the Honble Companys Ships Elizabeth, and Royal Duke, We supplied Captain Harry Pawlett with Six hund. Bales of the Honble Companys Rice at two Bombay Rupees and three quarters ℔ Bale, as ℔ Captain Pawletts receipt, Enclosed the Amount of which your Honour &ct. will please to receive and bring to the Credit of Bombay Presidency. The Cattle mentioned in the same receipt Mr. Bourchier paid for and he has wrote to Mr. Charles Bourchier to Receive the amount.

The Honble Company's Snow Brilleant Imported the 29th. Ulto. She was supplied with Sundry Stores Amounting to Bombay Rupees Two hundred fifty two and fifty Reas (Rs. 252. . 50) and sailed the 5 Instant under the Care of Captain Pawlett.

Our Honble Masters Ship Delawar passed for Banjar and China the 8 Inst. having Compleated her Affairs on this Coast.

We are in hourly Expectations of the Oxford to be filled up here for Great Britain, the Stetham is at Tellicherry taking In Pepper And to return to Bombay and the Dorrington is soon expected down the Coast to take in her Mocho Cargoe. We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servant[s]
RICHD. BOURCHIER.
THO: PATTLE.
FRANCIS FOWKE.
WILL: HORNBY.

ANJENGO
THE 10 DEC: 1748.

N°. 107

To THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR &C. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Enclosed is Dup. of our Letter dated the 27th. Ulto. Since which time We have been favoured with yours of the 10th. October ℔ Griffin.

Three of the Honble Company's Ships are now under dispatch to your Presidency and in about a Month or Six Weeks more We Shall dispatch Two Sloops with the remainder of the Stores you have Indented for.

The Bill of Exchange drawn by the Gentlemen at the West Coast has been duly honoured.

We have at the request of Several Gentlemen drawn on your Presidency the following Bills of Exchange Viz^{t}.

First & Second Bills in favour of Nich^{s}.Morse Esq^{r}. for A^{t}. R^{s}.	..	23,000	—	—
D^{o}.	D^{o}.	in favour of M^{r}. Moses Berend Heyman ..	..	18,338	2	—
D^{o}.	D^{o}.	in favour of M^{r}. Jn^{o}. Haman	..	2,680	13	[6]

which we desire you will discharge, the amount thereof being made good here.

The Supply of Money you have sent us has been but very trifling in respect of our present Necessities therefore Request by the first Opportunity you'll favour us with another Supply. We are

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS

Your most Hum. Servts.

WILL^{M}. BARWELL.
GEO : PATTLE.
ADAM DAWSON.
HUM : BELLAMY.
WILL : KEMPE.
EDW : EYLES.
WILL : FYTCHE.
ROGER DRAKE.
E. H. CRUTTENDEN.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 12 DEC̃ : 1748.

P.S.

We have likewise given First & Second Bills in favour of M^{r}. Moses Berend Heyman for 10338. 2 : on you.

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